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IMPORTANCE OF IRAQ DEVELOPMENTS TO INDIA STRESSED: GILANI CLIQUES AND INTRIGUES WITH ENEMY CONDEMNED Blessing In Disguise To Cause America To Take Plunge

BOMBAY, May 5 (Reuter)—THE IMPORTANCE OF THE IRAQ DEVELOPMENTS TO INDIA WAS STRESSED THROUGHOUT THE PRESS WHICH CONDEMNS THE GILANI CLIQUES AND THEIR INTRIGUES WITH THE ENEMY.

The leading Muslim daily, STAR OF INDIA (Calcutta) says that the new development throws Herr Hitler's original programme out of gear by giving more breathing space for England and America to organise for 1942.

The AMRITABAZAR PATRIKE of Calcutta says that the ugly developments in Iraq will naturally be watched with considerable anxiety in India.

The Hindustan TIMES OF DELHI says that if the war spreads to Iraq as Rashid Ali wants it, only Iran will stand between us and the forces of the Axis.

3,000 PRISONERS TAKEN BY BRITISH AT TOBRUK

Large Numbers Of Enemy Tanks Destroyed

Altogether 3,000 PRISONERS have been captured by British forces at Tobruk and the latest returns show large numbers of enemy tanks were destroyed on Wednesday and Thursday last week.

The Germans and Italians appeared to be surprised at the vigour with which the British troops met them; the enemy attack was markedly lacking in co-operation, writes Reuter's Special correspondent with the advanced forces in the Western Desert.

During the attack, 11 enemy tanks made for one Australian anti-tank gun. Four of them were quickly destroyed by this gun and its neighbour. Three of the first gun's crew were wounded, but the remaining members carried on until the attack was beaten off.

As soon as the Germans and Italians were pushed back, the British troops resumed offensive patrols, while the artillery reopened fire on enemy communications.

HEAVY BLOW

The failure of the attack was a heavy blow to German preparations for their intended advance into Egypt. They are still unable to

That must bring home to the BRITISH GOVERNMENT and MR. L. S. AMERY, SECRETARY FOR INDIA, the importance of doing something to prevent a further deterioration of the situation in India.

Disunited and discontented, India cannot be an asset but a liability to Britain in the difficult times ahead.

The Muslim Press of Lahore stresses the dangers of Anglo-Iraq hostilities and the need for a peaceful solution.

The Lahore Muslim daily EHSAA says that no Muslim country can have any sympathy with Germany and we should like to warn the people of Iraq against the grave consequences of the Germans setting foot on their soil.

On the pretext of helping Iraq, Germany can create a situation fraught with the greatest possibilities for Muslim countries and India.

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Strong Aircraft Forces Attack Brest:

Docks Hit, Large Fires

LONDON, May 5 (Reuter)—The R.A.F. last night attacked the docks at BREST, says an Air Ministry communiqué.

The attacks were made by strong forces of aircraft and many heavy bombs were dropped. The docks on both sides of the harbour were hit and large fires started.

Smaller forces, continues the communiqué, attacked the docks and shipping at ROTTERDAM, ANTWERP and LE HAVRE. Near ANTWERP, a direct hit was obtained on an enemy supply ship of about 1,500 tons.

An enemy patrol vessel was hit, hit a few minutes after midnight and left sinking in the course of a daylight sweep carried out yesterday, says the communiqué.

MOONLIGHT AID

Moonlight helped the Coastal Command aircraft last night, when they harried the enemy from the coast of Norway to the coast of Britain.

One German supply ship of 3,000 tons, anchoring in the SKAGERAK, in convoy, was bombed and the ultimate victory."

War Office Wants Dogs

LONDON, May 5 (BWS)—THE WAR OFFICE is inviting dog owners to lend their dogs to the army.

Breeds most suitable, they are told, are afredales, collies, hill collies, cossbreds, lurchers and retrievers, although intelligence and natural ability will be the deciding factors in the selection.

Dogs offered will be given an intensive course of training at the War Dog Training School at Aldershot.

Those not passing the test will be immediately returned to the owners. Selected dogs will be retained for the duration of the war.

Owners are assured that they can have every confidence that their dogs will receive skilled care and attention.

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Magnificent Courage And Endurance Of Greek Army

LONDON, May 5 (Reuter)—Mr. Anthony Eden, the British Foreign Secretary, has sent a message to Dr. Tsouderous, the Greek Premier, expressing Britain's deep gratitude for the magnificent courage and endurance of the Greek Army and for the loyalty of the Greek people.

In reply, Dr. Tsouderous says that Greece will never forget the gallant help of the British and that she will continue to fight at the side of her great allies.

ENEMY'S FORCES

The strength of forces in the field against the British and Imperial troops in Greece has now been established in London.

Three armoured divisions, two mountain divisions, the Adolf Hitler division and one infantry division were employed in the campaign.

It is recalled that in his speech last night, Herr Hitler mentioned only two armoured divisions, one mountain division and the Adolf Hitler division after which he gave the figures of German casualties which was obviously compiled for propaganda purposes.

Unique Bus Accident

BRITISH SOLDIER BADLY HURT

A British soldier, who was a passenger on a Stanley-bound bus narrowly escaped death yesterday, when he was involved in a unique accident.

According to a Police report, Gnr. Hamerton, R.A., stationed at Stanley, was returning to his barracks on a No. 6 route bus at 11 a.m. As the bus was over-crowded, he was compelled to stand on the bus landing.

Rounding a bend on Stubbs Road, the bus apparently driving at a high speed and too close to the near side, the centrifugal force was so great that the soldier was swung out hitting a lamp post.

He was rushed off to the Naval Hospital in a serious condition, suffering from a broken collar bone and other injuries.

Insp. S. C. Saunders, Acting Sub Insp. C. T. Byron, and Sgts. J. G. Whitcroft and McKenzie, of the Hongkong Police Force, have returned from leave.

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WHAT IS THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE?



Wherein it is shown that a hemisphere may be one thing geographically and something else again politically.

MOVEMENT FOR MORE ACTIVE UNITED STATES PARTICIPATION IN WAR GIVEN STIMULUS BY ROOSEVELT'S SPEECH

NEW YORK, May 5 (Reuter)—A great stimulus to the movement for more active United States participation in the war, appears to have been given by PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S speech on Sunday and by MR. WENDELL WILLKIE and MR. JAMES B. CONANT, while a statement by 17 military, naval and economic experts answering the arguments of defeatists, has had considerable influence.

Today's New York Press gives President Roosevelt's remarks banner headlines, while radio-commentators are increasingly concerned with matters connected with United States and ACTUAL PARTICIPATION IN THE WAR.

On the other hand Isolationist speakers, Col. Charles Lindbergh and Senator Wheeler, are vigorously stumping the American key cities, where their remarks are receiving prominence in the local sheets and a wider support through the general run of Isolationist newspapers.

Comparing the attitudes of Mr. Willkie and Col. Lindbergh, the NEW YORK TIMES declares:

"Mr. Willkie is right. His insistence that our security depends upon a British survival stands with the President and an overwhelming majority of the American people."

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Today's News Summary

THE PRESS IN INDIA has stressed the importance of the developments in Iraq and condemned the intrigues with the enemy. The Y.A.T. have dropped thousands of leaflets in the Arabian language in Bagdad.

STRONG ATTACKS were made by British bombers on Brest while there was also activity off the Norwegian coast. Liverpool and Marseilles were raided for the fourth night in succession while Belfast suffered considerable damage.

A MOVEMENT FOR more active participation by the United States in the war has received great stimulus by President Roosevelt's speech and by statements made by Mr. Willkie and Mr. James B. Conant, President of Harvard.

BRITISH FORCES have captured three thousand prisoners at Tobruk while it is now reported that last week the enemy suffered losses to large numbers of tanks.



In the World of Sports



BOWLS SEASON USHERED IN WITH FULL SCHEDULE

Champions Beat Old Rivals By Narrow Margin: P.O.C. Cause Only Upset Of Day

BY "L.G."

THE 1941 LAWN BOWLS LEAGUE SEASON WAS USHERED IN LAST SATURDAY WITH A PROGRAMME OF NO LESS THAN THIRTEEN MATCHES IN ALL THREE DIVISIONS. TO BOB DUNCAN'S KOWLOON BOWLING GREEN "B" RINK, comprising V. C. DIXON, W. C. HODDER AND H. LOCKHART, WENT THE CREDIT OF SCORING THE ONLY SEVEN OF THE AFTERNOON. HOWEVER, THIS SEVEN, WHICH WAS SCORED AGAINST B. BASTO'S RECREIO "B" RINK, FAILED TO EARN A WIN FOR DUNCAN.

The match that drew most attention on Saturday was the one at King's Park where the two old rivals, Recreio and Craigenhower, met. The former drew first blood, winning by only one shot after a very exciting game. R. F. LUX was one up on B. W. Bradbury and Carlos Silva was six shots to the good against Charlie Rosselet. "Spuney" Silva went down to U. M. Omar by six shots.

After being 15 shots down at tea, the Indian R.C. made a splendid recovery and turned the tables on the Police whom they eventually beat by 12 shots. M. R. Abbas, who failed to get going until the sixth head, was 7-12 down to Wally Mall when tea was taken. Thereafter he scored on eight heads to win 29-15. Mall scored on only two heads.

Abbas' lead, A. K. Suffiad, was in excellent form and was seldom far from the jack the whole afternoon. A. R. Dallah beat E. G. Post by 22-13. J. S. Shepherd scored one point for the Police when his rink beat A. K. Minu by 28-17. For Shepherd both W. McLeod, the lead, and W. S. Dall, the No. 3, played well.

KOWLOON C.C. BEATEN

At home, the Civil Servants played against the Kowloon C.C. and won by eight shots. This win

ADVERTISEMENTS

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE FIFTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held, weather permitting, on SATURDAY, 10th May, 1941, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms, at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, Exchange Building (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Telephone 21974).

No children or amahs will be admitted to either Enclosure.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Hall Price.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 5th May, 1941.

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Deane And
Miss Smalley
Win Final

CLUB HANDICAP MIXED DOUBLES

Maintaining a better consistency, B. O.M. DEANE and MISS J. SMALLLEY (-15) were able to beat J. S. THEOBALD and MRS. TORRIBLE (-3.6) in the final of the Club Handicap Mixed Doubles at the Stand Court by scores of 3-6, 6-3, 6-3, yesterday.

Though the tennis seen could not be said to be of a very high standard there were a few sparkling volleys, duels in which honours were about even. Both the lady players lent excellent support to their respective partners.

Miss Smalley played a steady game throughout and though not possessing a strong drive on either hand for attack she was quite reliable in defence while, at the net, she won numerous points with nicely placed shots.

Deane had a useful service and revealed a steadiness overhead that was lacking in his opposite number.

GOOD SERVICE

Mrs. Torrible was very good in her service. She had a reliable drive on the backhand but was rather erratic on the forehand.

Theobald, as stated, was weak overhead and netted many an easy volley. His one strong point was his service.

After drawing level at 2-all the losers went on to clinch the first set at 6-3. In the second set the winners led 3-1 and though the losers hauled back within distance at 4-3 the winners went out for set at 6-3. The third set saw some crisp volleying duels. Games alternated until the sixth and seventh which Deane won to lead 5-2. The losers won the eighth but lost the next for set and match.

TODAY'S MATCHES

The following is the programme for today:-

HEAP SINGLES (FINAL): G. W. Sewell (-4/8) v. T. J. Gould (-15.2).
HEAP DOUBLES (SEMI-FINAL): C. H. R. Oxlaide and Dr. A. H. Barwell (-15.6) v. R. H. Blake and H. C. D. Knight (-3/6).

JUNIOR CHESS TOURNEY

The Colony Junior Chess Championship Tournament came to a virtual standstill during the past week as only two more games were completed.

Un Kwai-yung beat R. C. Danenberg in one of the two matches played, and in the other A. Kurrik beat J. H. d'Almeida.

TABLE TO DATE

P. W. D. L. Pts.
A. Y. Birukoff ... 8 6 1 1 61
Un Kwai-yung ... 8 6 0 2 8
A. Kurrik ... 10 4 3 3 54
To Yu-lau ... 7 4 2 1 5
J. Tausz ... 7 5 0 2 5
J. Grefalda ... 8 4 2 2 5
C. H. R. Danenberg ... 8 4 2 2 5
V. V. Kolatchoff ... 8 2 2 4 3
Wm. Lee ... 9 3 0 6 8
E. M. Petrove ... 6 2 1 3 23
A. Morton ... 5 0 1 4 1
R. C. Gardner ... 3 0 0 3 1
J. H. d'Almeida ... 7 0 0 7 0

RAFFLE PRIZES SOLD

The Sunbeam Talbot car and the sailing yacht, prizes in the Monstar Raffle, have been sold.

The Indian constable, who won the car, sold it for \$4,500, while the Gloucester Hotel "Captain" sold his Chester for \$2,000.

The constable will shortly be proceeding on leave.

RECREIO "B" v. Indian R.C. KOWLOON R.C.C. "A" v. Kowloon B.G.C. "B".

SECOND DIVISION

KOWLOON T.C.C. v. Recreio. POLICE v. KOWLOON C.C. HK FOOTBALL C. v. Craigenhower.

THIRD DIVISION

Tai Kok R.C.C. v. Kowloon F.C. KOWLOON T.C.C. v. CRAIGENHOWER. HK R.C.C. v. HK FOOTBALL CLUB. RECREIO v. POLICE R.C. HK ELECTRIC & Hongkong C.C.

RIFLE ASSOCIATION AIDS B.W.O.F.

HIGH STANDARD OF SHOOTING AT SEASON'S WIND-UP

The Rifle Association wound up their season's shooting with a shoot in aid of the BRITISH WAR ORGANISATION FUND. Fine weather brought a great number of competitors to the range for one of the season's most enjoyable shoots and fine conditions made for a high standard of shooting.

Spoons and cups were presented for competition by the affiliated Clubs of the H.K.R.A. and the amount raised for the Red Cross was \$70.

Mr. GUARD of the Dockyard Rifle Club headed the shooting with a good 51, beating Sgt. Cole with the same score, on the count out. The latter's 44 at 200 yards was worthy of note; Sgt. Wall's 46 was the best score at 300 yards.

A prominent feature of the day's programme was the Miniature Rifle shooting, run by the R.A.F. who presented a number of spoons for competition. These were keenly contested and the results show considerable improvement throughout the entry.

The .303 Team shoot was won by the Hongkong Police, with the Volunteers second. Sgt. Puran Singh carried off the Revolver trophy.

Leading scores and prize lists were as follows:-

PRIZE LIST

"A" Class: 1, Mr. Guard (D.R.C.) 87; 2, Sgt. Cole (R.M.) 87; Hcap Spoons, P.C. Naranian Singh 91, Sgt. Pan (H.K.P.R.) 88.

"B" Class: 1, L/Sgt. Remedios (H.K.V.D.C.) 83; 2, A.S.I. Thong (H.K.P.R.) 82; Hcap Spoons, P.C. Naranian Singh 93.6, Pte. Xavier (H.K.V.D.C.) 93.

"C" Class: 1, Cpl. Lochrie (R.C.S.) 82; 2, Piper Stewart (2.R.S.) 74; Hcap Spoons, L/Cpl. Booker (H.K.V.D.C.) 80.26, Chai 89.

"D" Class: 1, L/Cpl. Lau (H.K.V.D.C.) 71; 2, Pte. Lim 68; Hcap Spoons, Pte. Hefzy (H.K.V.D.C.) 89.

Team Shoot: "A" Teams: 1, H.K. Police 494; 2, H.K.V.D.C. 482; 3, Middlesex 476; 4, Small Arms 476; 5, Royal Marines 473; 6, H.K.P.R. 461; 7, 5/7th Rajputs 455. "B" Teams: 1, Royal Scots 445; 2, M/C 470.

Sealed Envelopes: 200 yds. Mohamed Afasr; 600 yds. B/M Kif-ford. Revolver: 1, Sgt. Puran Singh; 2, Sgt. Breeze; 3, Nk. Deo Saran Singh.

Min. Rifle Shooting: "A" Class: 1, Phut Singh; 2, Shambu Singh; 3, Capt. Dawson.

"B" CLASS: 1, Pte. Sequeira; 2, Mr. Stewart; "C" Class: 1, Pte. Maycock.

Team Shoot: R.A.F. team.

LEADING SCORES

The following were the leading scores:-

CLASS "A"

H'cap 200 500 Thl. Mr. J. A. Guard ... 3 42 45 87
Sgt. F. Cole ... scr. 44 43 87

Cpl. S. Naranjan ...

Singh 3 43 42 85
Sgt. J. R. Wall ... scr. 38 46 84

W.O. F. Tolison ... scr. 39 45 84
N.L. N. Pan ... 3 42 42 84

R.Q.M.S. R. Hale ... scr. 43 41 84
Sgt. F. E. Russell ... scr. 38 45 83

Sgt. G. E. Breeze ... scr. 38 45 83
Capt. Marsh ... 7 72

"C" CLASS

Sgt. Sargent ... 5 85*
L/Cpl. Wood ... 4 85*

Capt. Guest ... 7 82
Cpl. Henley ... 6 81

Pte. Sequeira ... 6 79
Mr. Tyemouth ... 5 78

Cpl. Lomaev ... 6 75
Capt. March ... 7 72

"B" CLASS

Sgt. Sargent ... 5 85*
L/Cpl. Wood ... 4 85*

Capt. Guest ... 7 82
L/Cpl. Booker ... 13 72

Mr. Lock ... 12 60

"D" CLASS

Pte. Maycock ... 14 84*
Pte. Lim ... 12 80

L/Cpl. Booker ... 13 72
Mr. Lock ... 12 60

* Spoon. Tie Score gauged out.

Team Shoot: 1, R.A.F.; 2, H.K.P.R.; 3, Middlesex 4; H.K.P.R.; 5, Rajputs "B"; 6, Rajputs "A".

CLAYBIRD FINAL

The annual Claybird Championships were shot off on Sunday morning, Capt. Hyde, of the Manchester Regt., obtaining the majority of the trophies.

Results were:-

Newton Challenge Cup: 1, Capt. C. H. R. Hyde; 2, Capt. Dawson. Individual Service Claybird Championship: 1, Capt. Hyde; 2, Capt. Dawson.

The Services Inter-Unit Claybird Match: 1, Headquarters, China Command; 2, Middlesex Regt.

L/Sgt. G. Puran ... Singh 2 43 38 81
L/Sgt. W. R. Nunn scr. 38 42 80
Cpl. R. Langford ... scr. 38 42 80

Sgt. R. Burkitt ... 6 38 41 80
P.C. Charan Singh ... 5 39 41 80

Azedo ... 6 38 43 79
Pte. W. Young ... 11 42 39 81
Mr. N. V. Whyte ... 2 42 39 81
L/Sgt. G. Puran ... Singh 2 43 38 81

L/Sgt. W. R. Nunn scr. 38 42 80
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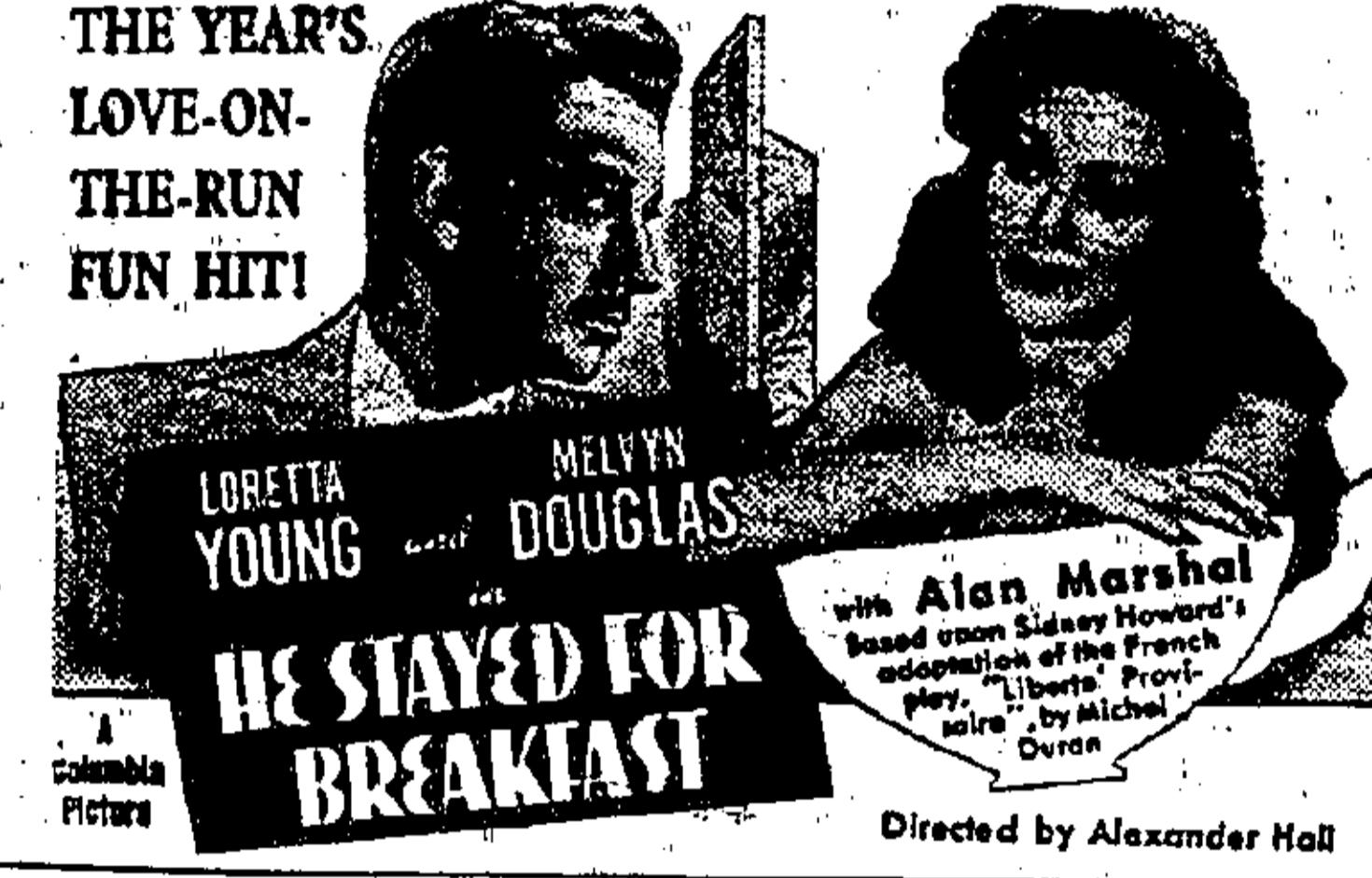
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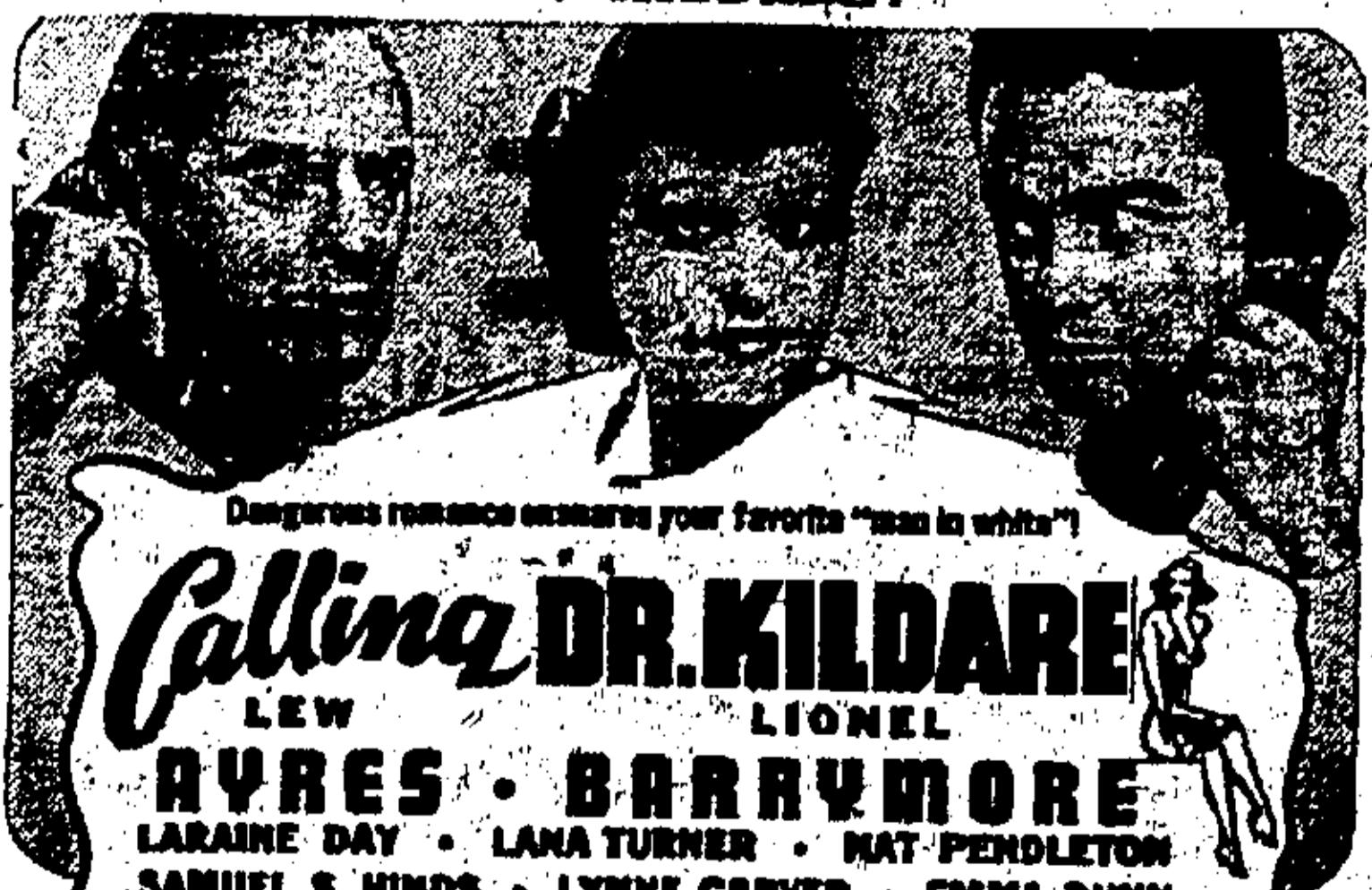
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COMING EVENTS

MAY

6-Tides: High 5.47 a.m. and 8.57 p.m. Low: 1.47 a.m. and 1.38 p.m. Sunrise: 5.44 a.m.; Sunset: 6.38 p.m. St. Andrew's Parish Social, Farewell to Dean Wilson, 8.30 p.m. Urban Council Meeting, Post Office Bldg., 4.15 p.m. Rotary Club Dinner, H.K. Hotel, 1 p.m. Prayer and Fellowship meeting, S. and S. Home, 8.30 p.m. H.K. Philatelic Society Annual Dinner. Cheero Club Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m. Monthly Meeting of Referees Association, Hotel Cecil, 8 p.m. Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m. 7-Tides: High 5.26 a.m. and 8.58 p.m. Low: 1.14 p.m. Sunrise: 5.44 a.m.; Sunset: 6.33 p.m. Annual Meeting of Douglas Steamship Company, P. and Q. Bldg., 11 a.m. Cheero Club Dance, 8.30 p.m. Film Show at S. and S. Home, 8.30 p.m. Presentation to Dean Wilson by Northumberland and Durham Assoc., Jacobean Room, H.K. Hotel, 6.15 p.m. Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 8 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. Y.M.C.A. War Work, 6 a.m. to noon. 8-Tides: High 7.01 a.m. and 7.13 p.m. Low: 1.24 a.m. and 1.17 p.m. Sunrise: 5.47 a.m.; Sunset: 6.53 p.m. H.K. Eugenics League, Gloucester Hotel, 5.20 p.m. Presentation to Very Rev. J. L. Wilson, Jacobean Room, H.K. Hotel, 6.15 p.m. St. Andrew's (Medical) War Work, 10 a.m. 9-Tides: High 7.40 a.m. and 8.17 p.m. Low: 1.26 a.m. and 2.18 p.m. Sunrise: 5.47 a.m.; Sunset: 6.53 p.m. Intercession Service, St. Andrew's Church, 6.30 p.m. 10-Tides: High 8.18 a.m. and 8.18 p.m. Low: 1.26 a.m. and 2.18 p.m. Sunrise: 5.48 a.m.; Sunset: 6.54 p.m. Women's Advisory Committee of New Life Movement, Roller Skating Contest, Kowloon Skating Rink. Softball League Dance, Peninsula Hotel. Fifth Extra Meeting of H.K. Jockey Club, 2 p.m.

11-Tides: High 8.47 a.m. and 8.18 p.m. Low: 1.28 a.m. and 2.18 p.m. Sunrise: 5.47 a.m.; Sunset: 6.53 p.m. H.K. Eugenics League, Gloucester Hotel, 5.20 p.m.

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HALF OF THE IRAQI AIR FORCE DESTROYED IN R.A.F. RAID ON MOASCAR RASCHID

Strategic Points At Basra Occupied By British Troops

CAIRO, May 5 (Reuter)—HALF OF THE IRAQI AIR FORCE HAS BEEN DESTROYED OR PUT OUT OF ACTION, according to a special R.A.F. communiqué issued here last night which states: "Bomber aircraft of the R.A.F. carried out another heavy attack on the Iraqi aerodrome at Moascar Raschid today. Severe damage was caused to the aerodrome buildings and at least 22 Iraqi aircraft were put out of action."

"A number of air combats occurred resulting in several hostile aircraft being disabled. A railway line was bombed and an armoured train turned back. Many raids were made on Iraqi gun positions, mechanised units and troop concentrations outside Habbaniyah and many direct hits were obtained. These targets were bombed throughout the day."

"In a later raid on Moascar Raschid, direct hits were registered on sheds, buildings and aircraft. One aircraft was destroyed on the ground and there were near misses on several others."

"Two Iraqi fighters that attempted to intercept our bombers were shot down."

"Our aircraft returned safely to their bases."

The 25 Iraqi aircraft destroyed would appear to represent half the Iraqi air force which at the outbreak of the war on September 3 1939, numbered 50, including 36 front line machines.

AIRPORT OCCUPIED

LONDON, May 5 (Reuter)—It is officially announced that British troops have occupied the airport, dock area and power station at Basra.

The Iraqis agreed to withdraw their forces but despite an extension of the time allowed, failed to do so and the British forces drove them out by bombing and artillery fire.

A Cairo communiqué says: R.A.F. bombers heavily attacked petrol dumps and magazines at an Iraqi aerodrome outside Baghdad. Bombs demolished military buildings and damaged aircraft on the ground.

British bombers heavily attacked petrol dumps and magazines at Moreat, Rashid's aerodrome outside Baghdad, obtaining many direct hits and demolishing military buildings.

Bombs were also seen to turn over and damage aircraft on the ground.

During this operation, British bombers also shot down an Iraqi aircraft and severely damaged others.

The shelling of Habbaniyah aerodrome by Iraqi guns was resumed early this morning, causing some casualties to non-combatants. In reply British aircraft bombed and machine-gunned mechanised transport with the result that the shelling was reduced.

"SANCTUARY" VIOLATED

SIMLA, May 5 (Reuter)—When tension in Iraq became acute, Rashid Ali offered facilities to the British Minister for the removal of British women and children from trouble there.

CHINA WAR:

Chinese Recapture Wenchow Following Vigorous Attack

KINHWA, May 5 (Central)—Wenchow, important port on the southern Chekiang coast, which fell into Japanese hands on April 20, was recovered by Chinese troops following a vigorous assault which resulted in over 1,000 Japanese casualties.

Reoccupation of the city was preceded by violent street fighting, as the Japanese struggled to escape annihilation. The defeated Japanese are now beating a disorderly retreat towards Julian, 20 miles south of Wenchow with Chinese pursuit troops hot on their trail.

Wenchow was on fire as the residents were virtually frenzied with joy over the recovery of their city. A monster mass celebration meeting was held and national flags were hoisted over all public buildings.

Chinese authorities who have returned to the city are instituting immediate relief and rehabilitation measures. Meanwhile, Chinese mopping-up patrols are active to remove the Japanese war dead inside the city and to round up isolated stragglers.

CHEKIANG FRONT

EAST CHEKIANG, May 5 (Central)—Quiet reigns on the Chink front on the southern bank of the Chientang River, as the Japanese advance southward along the Kiangsu-Chekiang Railway, has been effectively checked and they are remaining on the defensive, apparently waiting for reinforcements to renew their drive.

The Japanese attack on Wai-cheng, south of Chink, has been repulsed with numerous losses.

Proclamation By Deposed Regent

RASHID ALI BOUGHT BY FOREIGN GOLD

LONDON, May 5 (Reuter)—His Royal Highness Emir Abdul Ilah has issued a proclamation in Palestine calling on Iraqis to rise against Rashid Ali and asserting that Rashid Ali and other ill-disposed persons bought by foreign gold have by force "thrust me from my sacred duties as the guardian of my nephew, your beloved young King."

Abdul Ilah declares: "Under their evil sway, the noble land of Iraq has been poisoned by falsehood and lies and brought from the blessings of peace to the horrors of a venomous war."

"MY DUTY IS PLAIN"

"My duty is plain. I am returning to restore the tarnished honour of my native land and lead it back to peaceful prosperity under a lawfully constituted government. I call upon all true sons of Iraq to drive out this band of traitors and restore to our beloved country true liberty and independence. Recall your sons and brothers from this war brought upon your hands by lies and intrigues of foreigners thinking only of their selfish interests."

"Soldiers! Go peacefully to your stations and there peacefully await my restoration of an independent Iraqi constitutional government. 'Long Live King Faisal III'!"

INDISCRIMINATE RAID ON MALTA

MALTA, May 5 (Reuter)—Two separate waves of enemy aircraft heavily raided Malta on Saturday night.

Bombs were dropped indiscriminately damaging civilian and Government property.

Two German bombers were downed for certain and a third damaged.

A few people were killed and a few seriously injured.

LONDON HAS SECOND NIGHT ALERT

LONDON, May 5 (Reuter)—An Air Ministry communiqué states that enemy aircraft crossed the east and south-west coasts in daylight yesterday penetrating a few miles inland but no bombing is reported.

London had a night alert for the second night in succession after a full of eight days.

No gunfire was heard for some time after the alarm.

Raiders were reported over several parts of Britain.

"HITLERITE" TO SERVE IN GAOL

CANBERRA—Punishment imposed on J. J. Moor for an offence under regulation 42A was to stand the Attorney-General (Mr. Hughes) said recently.

Moor was sentenced in Melbourne to a month's imprisonment for having made a subversive statement. Mr. Hughes said today that the case was so gross that the charge would have been laid even under the amended regulations.

"I think he got off lightly," Mr. Hughes said. "It was a wonder that summary punishment was held a military service for the soldiers and officers fallen in the battles in the mountain areas east of Anhwee, south of Chink."

According to field intelligence reports, the Japanese on April 23 that summary punishment was held a military service for the soldiers and officers fallen in the battles in the mountain areas east of Anhwee, south of Chink.

The statement for which Moor was imprisoned contained the words: "I am a Hitlerite and all Australians and the British Empire can go to hell, because they have no chance of winning the war."

The fact that this statement was made in the presence of members of the A.I.F. aggravated the offence. The charge of making a statement concerning the war like to lead to a breach of the peace was fully substantiated.

HAIMEN RECOVERED

KINHWA, May 5 (Central)—Following the capture of Hwazien, Chinese forces launched a concerted attack on Haimen, important sea-port on the eastern Chekiang coast, and dislodged the Japanese from the town last night. To cover

their withdrawal, the Japanese set fire to numerous houses in Haimen and hurriedly fled back to their warships.

Chinese troops entered the town this morning and are undertaking immediate measures for the relief of the refugees.

GENERAL

OVER THREE THOUSAND GERMAN PLANES DOWNED OVER BRITAIN

LONDON, May 5 (Reuter)—The destruction by fighters of 14 of the 16 enemy bombers shot down during Saturday night was the Fighter Command's most successful night of the war, states an Air Ministry bulletin.

Further claims for the destruction of others are being investigated.

The highest number of raiders previously brought down in one night was 13 and of these one was brought down by anti-aircraft gunfire and another by unspecified means.

Last night's achievement brings the total down over Britain in the first three nights of May to 21. In addition, one was brought down by British fighters over France on Friday night.

Of 163 brought down in raids on Britain in April, 84 fell to British fighters.

Since the war began the Luftwaffe, in day and night raids on Britain, have now lost 3,327 planes.

A later communiqué from London, confirming that 16 enemy aircraft were destroyed, says that one of them was brought down by a balloon barrage and two by anti-aircraft fire.

The remainder were shot down by British fighters, one over Northern France.

GREAT PART PLAYED BY R.A.F. IN WITHDRAWAL FROM GREECE

LONDON, May 5 (Reuter)—The great part played by the Royal Air Force in the withdrawal of the Empire force from Greece is told by the Air Ministry news service.

Thousands of men and women, it says, were evacuated by the R.A.F. while British fighters, heavily outnumbered, guarded the continuous stream of ships that went back and forth.

The order for withdrawal set the R.A.F. the biggest task of the campaign, it says. Bombers, flying boats, captured enemy aircraft and British fighters played an outstanding part in getting Empire troops safely away.

All day and all night aircraft of every type—bombers, flying boats, training machines and civil aircraft packed to capacity with human cargo—flew to safety and returned for more.

The R.A.F. has countless stories of gallantry to tell of the evacuation.

SHIPS GUARDED

In addition to thousands of men and women brought away by air, thousands more were guarded as they made the journey in big and little ships.

Personnel of no longer existing British air forces in Greece scored perhaps the greatest triumph of six months of arduous fighting against Italy. R.A.F. bombers had carried out more than 300 raids and nearly 300 enemy aircraft were confirmed as destroyed in the air besides the huge total of aircraft damaged in the air and on the ground.

JUMPING FROM 3 MILES UP

How it feels to jump from a blazing fighter plane three miles up is described in a letter from a Hurricane pilot who had to bale out—Flying Officer Ralph Hope, a nephew of the late Mr. Neville Chamberlain.

Saturday was not such a successful day from my point of view, as on our third patrol I lost my aircraft.

We were at about 21,000 ft. up, quite comfortable, and floating slowly—oh, so slowly—earthwards. I was at about 9,000 ft. to 10,000 ft. then, so I had fallen about 12,000 ft.—9,000 ft. (from about 18,000 ft.) might have fallen farther with advantage.

When I looked up I could see the shining white canopy above me, and little silver specks having no end of a dog fight in the clear blue sky. A Spitfire dived down past me with a high-pitched whine, but that was the only disturbance.

The aircraft began going down fast. I slid back the hood and began to get out; my goggles were whipped off, and my helmet began to lift up in the slip stream.

I realized I had not undone my straps, so I pulled out the retaining pin and stood up, standing on anything which came handy (the seat, the instrument panel or the stick, I don't really know). The air seized hold of me, and there was a wrench as my oxygen tube snapped in (I had forgotten to undo it), and I shot out into the sky.

The aeroplane disappeared.

It was nice and cool falling. I was head down, of course, but found the position quite comfortable. There was no sense of speed or any feeling of falling.

I had a look at the clouds below me (they were at about 4,000-5,000 ft.), and then collected the odd bits of my helmet and had a look round.

My parachute was still on my seat. Both my boots were on, and I didn't seem to have lost anything except my goggles, a handkerchief and map. They must have fallen out of the pockets in my knees when I first went upside down.

The Army soon took charge of me, gave me a drink and some lunch, and drove me back to my base.

On his first patrol, after returning to duty, Flying Officer Hope was killed—he stayed too long in his crippled Hurricane, he stayed long enough to make sure the machine would not crash on buildings, but too long to enable him to jump to safety.

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"COVERING" CHINA WITH CAMERA

Photographer-Reporter Interviewed

"I do not think China is being adequately reported in newspapers and periodicals in this country," said Mr. Dan Gilmore, the Irish publisher-editor of FRIDAY ("The Magazine that Dares to Tell the Truth"), to his star photographer-reporter.

MR. CHARLES FENN, some weeks ago, "Take a trip out to China and stay there for six months or longer, but cover the country properly."

About three weeks ago, Mr. Charles Fenn, with his cameras, typewriter, and the usual paraphernalia of a newspaper correspondent, arrived in the Colony unheralded, and immediately began to "get around."

That this fair-haired, bespectacled, tall American with his disarming smile did not let the grass grow under his feet was made clear to the Hongkong Daily Press, in the course of an interview, by the large collection of photographs taken since his arrival and the wide range of subjects covered.

FRIDAY, said Mr. Fenn, is published on Fridays and has a circulation of only about a quarter-of-a-million, principally among industrial workers. It was founded about a year ago by Mr. Dan Gilmore who is not only the owner and publisher but who also takes a most active part in the running of the magazine. The slogan adopted by Mr. Gilmore for his publication is "The magazine that dares to tell the truth."

He was went on Mr. Fenn interested in coming out to China about eight months ago but, owing to one thing or the other, had to postpone his trip.

RUSH TO FAR EAST

The recent visit of Mr. Laughlin Currie, President Roosevelt's personal representative, to China, coupled with the inclusion of that country in the Lease-and-Lend Bill has so aroused the interest of the American public as to cause an immediate rush of reporters and photographers to the Far East, the majority of whom represented the leading newspapers in America.

Many of these reporters, however, simply flew out here—thence on to Chungking and, after staying there a couple of weeks—flew home again, firmly believing that they "had seen everything that there was to be seen" and began to "round out on their typewriters columns and columns of stuff which every resident of the Far East knew to be incorrect." Others, and the more responsible ones, get shown around and leave the country with the best of impressions.

The policy of FRIDAY is to present both sides of the picture—the bad with the good, went on Mr. Fenn, and it is his intention to visit really out-of-the-way places to see "how the other half lives." Photographs of factories, machineries, workmen and so on are interesting only as comparative standards between China and America. Refugee camps, experimental farms, welfare centres, interiors of Chinese mansions and, as contrast, of a house in the slums, are of far greater interest to people in foreign countries.

CHINESE GIRLS

When Mr. Fenn let slip the fact that he used to specialize in colour photography and that he was more a photographer than a newsmen, our reporter immediately asked his opinion of Hongkong, fully expecting something different from the usual compliments. But he was most enthusiastic about the beauties of Hongkong—the scenery, the buildings and, as usual, "the charm of the Chinese girls."

In his opinion few countries could present such a beautiful picture as the Peak seen on a cloudy day or the myriad of lights on the slopes in the night.

Many of the houses—especially those in the New Territories—were exceedingly quaint; whilst others, like those in a village in Kowloon City built entirely of kerosene-tin plates, were unique.

As to Chinese girls Mr. Fenn was of the opinion that they are "tops." Although he had not the pleasure of knowing any yet, he thought that they were not sufficiently appreciated, insofar as various occupations were concerned. "It seems that not enough room is made for them in commerce and the professions. As far as I can gather there are very few lady doctors and not a single lady dentist."

As a photographer, he said, he found Chinese girls extremely

Neglect Of Duty Alleged: Two Constables Charged: Wolfram Ore Possession

Two constables, attached to Yau Ma Tei Police Station, C.M. 16, Lo Kan, 31, and C247, TANG CHEUNG, 32, were charged before Mr. H. C. Macnamara at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday with neglect of duty by failing to arrest an unknown Chinese man and woman, who had in their possession three bags of wolfram ore reasonably suspected of having been stolen or unlawfully obtained.

Accused were additionally charged with unlawful possession of a quantity of wolfram ore suspected to have been stolen.

Two other men, CHEUNG TONG, 28, and LAM KWONG, 32, were charged with unlawful possession of the wolfram ore. Cheung Tong had ball of \$150 estreated when he failed to appear two weeks ago. Police offered no evidence against Lam yesterday and he was discharged.

Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ appeared for Lo, while Mr. M. A. da Silva represented Tang.

Det.-Sgt. N. B. Fraser said that in the early morning of April 2 a Chinese man and woman, carrying three bags of wolfram, wanted to hire a rickshaw. As they were bargaining for the fare, two Chinese, alleged to have been the accused came up and flashed a torch on them. The couple ran away.

TAXI HIRED

The wolfram was taken to No. 18, Battery Street. In the same afternoon first accused was alleged to have hired a taxi and given instructions to be driven to the address. The wolfram was loaded into the vehicle which proceeded to No. 113, Sai Yee Street, a wolfram dealer's shop. One of the two men asked the dealer if he wanted to buy some wolfram to which the latter replied in the affirmative.

As the dealer had not enough cash to buy the whole lot he took a sample to another dealer. In further hearing was adjourned until May 17, at 11:30 a.m.

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

SHIPBOARD THEFT

An ex-banished returning to the Colony for the first time at the end of his 10-year expulsion term appeared before Mr. G. F. Lowry yesterday.

He was Ho Ping, 31, unemployed, appearing on a charge of stealing \$500 from Sui Wal-man on board s. Fook On on May 4.

Det.-Sgt. W. Summers, who prosecuted, said that complainant and defendant were passengers on board the boat coming from Macao. The money in \$100 notes, which were recovered from defendant's possession at the Po Tak Wharf, Connaught Road Central, was stolen from complainant while he was asleep, when the boat was in British waters.

Defendant admitted two previous convictions.

Sentence of four months' hard labour was imposed.

UNCLAIMED PETROL

An order for confiscation of 70 unclaimed tins of gasoline found at Chung Hom Wan, Repulse Bay, on May 5, was granted by Major A.N. Macfadyen yesterday, on the application of Mr. K. A. Blundell, S.P.

AT KOWLOON

TRANSACTION OF MINOR

A 16-year-old boy, Chau Choi, 44, barber, Chau Yee, 37, a woman, alias Yau Kiu, 41, widow, were charged before Mr. D.J.N. Anderson yesterday with taking part in the transaction of a seven-year-old child for a valuable consideration.

Inspector E. W. Moreton, of the S.C.A., said that the barber told the woman in a hut at Shekkin that one of his friends wanted a small girl as daughter-in-law. The conversation was overheard by the young boy, who informed the two that he had a younger sister and that he would like to present her to them.

They agreed to transfer the girl for \$12 and on April 28 they met in a tenement and the money was handed over to the boy. They signed an agreement in which the fourth accused was the buyer. Third defendant received \$8, and a go-between.

Defendant was sentenced to four months' each on the first and second charge and two months on the third, the terms to run consecutively.

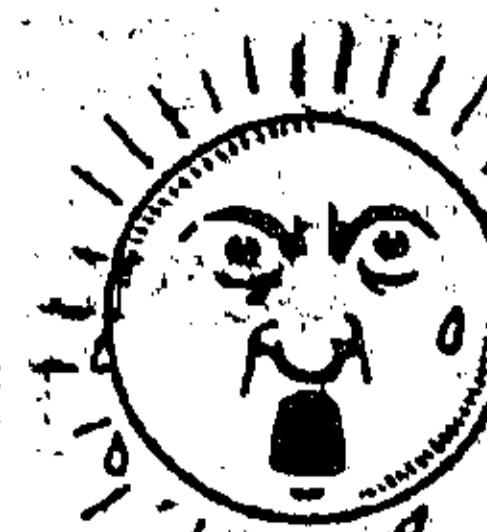
POSED AS INFORMER

Defendant entered the police station on a ruse of being an informer.

"He stole them apparently of the good sale of rifles to junk dealers at the present time," replied Sergeant Cashman to a question put to him by Mr. Sheldon.

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Two days later the Police received information and arrested the first three defendants. Second accused took the Police to Shatin



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POLICE REPORTS

Mrs. M. W. Turnbull, of No. 4, Conduit Road, has reported the theft of a brown suitcase, valued at \$25, from the roof of her house, on Sunday.

A fire, which burned down several huts, broke out in Tsun Wan Village, New Territories, about 10:15 a.m. on Sunday. It was eventually put out by the villagers.

DOCTOR HURT

A fight occurred in Temple Street at 10 a.m. yesterday between a Chinese doctor and two barbers. The former was removed to hospital.

14 they saw a Chinese carrying three parcels.

His suspicions aroused, the Sergeant challenged the man asking him, at the same time, to put his hands up. Instead of obeying the latter order, the Chinese handed over three parcels to P. C. B25.

On his being again asked to put his hands up the Chinese put up his left hand, at the same time putting his right hand behind his back, whereupon P. C. B147 jumped on him. On being searched a pistol was found. He was arrested. The above story was related to Mr. Balfour yesterday when Lam Sal-lo, alleged salt smuggler, appeared on a charge of possession of a revolver and six rounds of ammunition.

After evidence have been given by Chung Kwan, the brother of Chun Lin, Wong Yiu-chee, Police interpreter, and Det.-Sgt. MacPherson, defendant made a statement in reply to the charge. He said, "I am a former fisherman. Robbers forced me to go by threatening to strike me. They took me to a certain village and did not allow me to row my boat away."

He was committed for trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

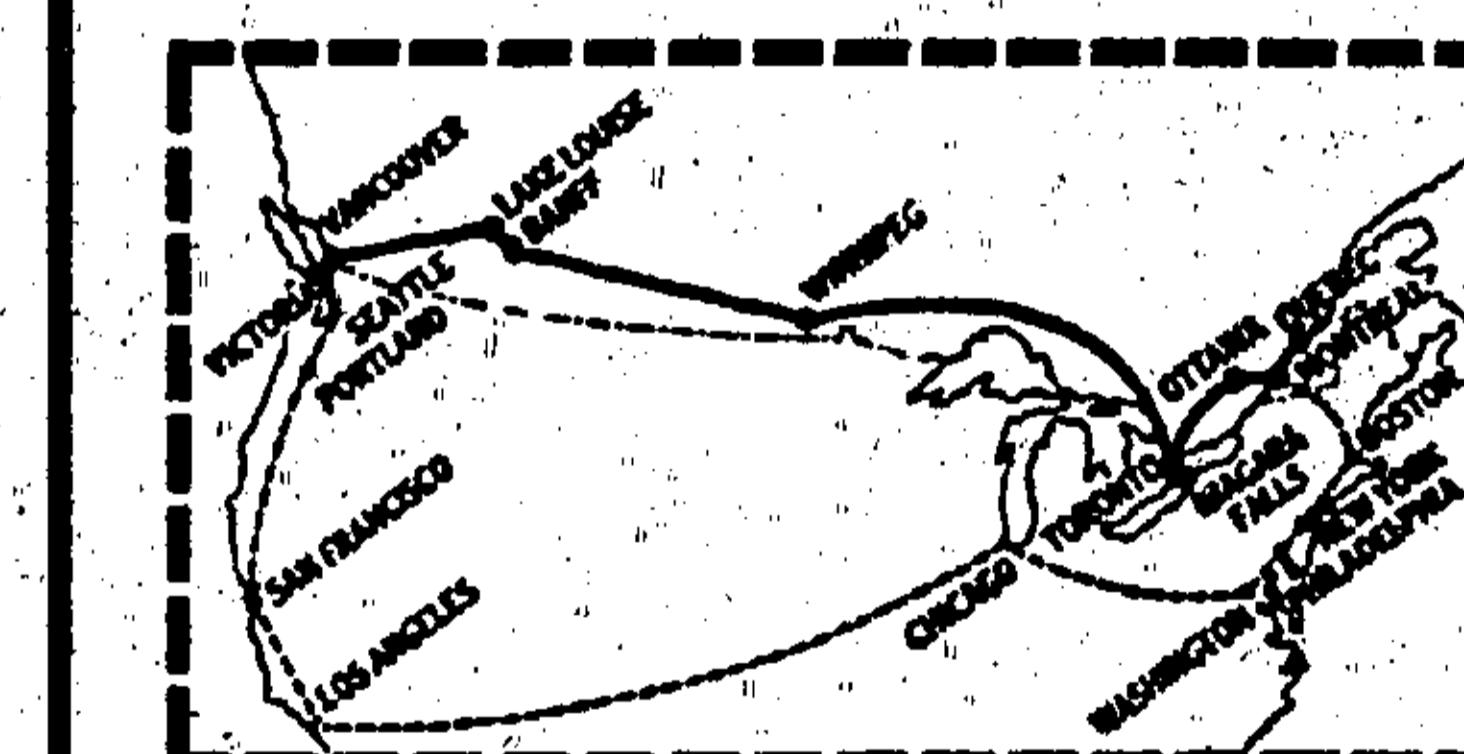
ALLEGED THIEF REMANDED

Ng Shun-hong, appeared before Mr. Balfour yesterday on the charge of the theft of a bicycle outside an unnumbered hut at Tung Kai Village, the property of Tung Fook on May 5, and was remanded to tomorrow on bail of \$25.

REVOLVER FOUND

While Indian Police sergeant B147 and two constables, B223 and B230 were on patrol duty at Kwai Chung, a revolver was found in a prohibited area.

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Applications should be in the hands of the Registrar not later than Monday, 10th May, 1941.

STANLEY V. BOXER,
Registrar.

30th April, 1941.



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GOVERNMENT RICE MONOPOLY

IT WAS over six months ago

that apprehensions began to be felt in the Colony that the rice situation was steadily moving towards a crisis, such as has arisen today. Signs and portents were not wanting to substantiate these fears and everyone, with the exception of the Government, recognised at that time that the position would steadily deteriorate when dealers began to take advantage of a slight hitch in the shipment of supplies from the principal countries which exported rice to Hongkong. Public insistence that the Government should take some action to counter the opportunities which had arisen for the profiteer to make his illegal gains brought in a so-called control scheme, which officialdom now admits has proved inadequate. The inadequacy of the control system was apparent again to everyone but the administration and, in spite of evidence

which was published in the columns of this paper on the futility of the Government plan and the suggestions made for remedying the position, this "inadequate" control scheme was permitted to operate until it enabled the profiteers and speculators to manipulate the situation to a point which increased their advantage to the final collapse of the Government attempt to prevent the present crisis.

WRITING on the subject in these columns as far back as on December 12, we said:

"The control as outlined by the Government can never eliminate the evils of profiteering. The only alternative left to the Government must be to acquire these stocks or to buy them up in the open market and release them to the public at fair and equitable prices." This advice we repeated on April 19, when the acting Rice Controller made a statement to this paper on the rice situation. This statement was tantamount to an admission of the inability of the Government to cope with the malpractices being carried out at the expense of the greater part of the population in the Colony. We invited the Government to give its immediate attention to the matter and much belated action has now been taken to give the authorities permission to assume a monopoly of all imports and exports of rice. Had this action been taken six months ago there might have been a fair chance that the position which has been created today would not have resulted. Even now the monopoly plan must, to comply with official procedure in these matters, be deferred for nearly a month before it can be put into operation and, in the meantime, the profiteer is having a final and practically uncontrolled opportunity to swindle the public, with the price of rice yesterday being quoted at a dollar for four-and-a-half catties!

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Seventeenth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Company's Office at the Jordan Road Ferry Pier, Kowloon, on Saturday, the 17th May, 1941 at 11.00 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the Board of Directors together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1940.

The transfer books of the Company will be closed from the 7th to 17th May, 1941, both days inclusive.

LAU TAK PO,
Managing Director.
Hong Kong, 1st May, 1941.

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EX-NIGHTSOIL COOLIES MARCH IN FORCE TO GOVERNMENT HOUSE

Demonstrators Frustrated By The Police

"WHAT WE THREATEN, WE DO," APPEARED TO BE THE MOTTO OF THE EX-NIGHTSOIL COOLIES WHEN THEY MARCHED TO GOVERNMENT HOUSE YESTERDAY MORNING to petition His Excellency to rescind the Government order abolishing private collection of nightsoil.

Not satisfied with their interviews with the Hon. Secretary for Chinese Affairs on Thursday, and with the Administrative Assistant to the Hon. Chairman of the Urban Council on Friday, the members of the Luen Yip Association decided to "appeal unto the Governor" — so, bright and early yesterday morning, "unto the Governor" they went.

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NOT INTERVIEWED

Mr. E. B. Teesdale, Administrative Assistant, stated to a Hongkong Daily Press reporter that he had not been interviewed by any representatives of the Luen Yip Association since Friday.

At 5.15 p.m. the party around the Post Office building dispersed to go home and "eat rice." One of the women demonstrators made a most significant remark as she was leaving: "Another day of mine they have wasted."

MR. E. B. TEESDALE

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All entrances to Government House were blocked by strong forces of policemen, with the result that the demonstrators' attempt to see His Excellency was frustrated.

Their representatives were advised to see the Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall, but this advice fell on deaf ears. Instead, the demonstrators once again parked themselves on the ground.

After a rest of two hours or so, the demonstrators began to realise that there was no hope of their seeing His Excellency, so they went to find out if the Secretary for Chinese Affairs had changed his mind.

MR. R. A. C. NORTH

On arrival, they sent a deputation to the Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North who reiterated that Government are not going to change their decision, and advised them to register with the Urban Council for re-employment so soon as vacancies occur.

Mr. North pointed out to the demonstrators' spokesman that while Government are willing to extend financial assistance to those of their members who might be in need of help, Government did not, however, intend to permit the demonstrations to continue indefinitely.

The deputation returned to the crowd downstairs and issued the order to "fall in" and they marched to the Post Office pavement where a roaring trade was done by vendors of sweets and peanuts. Employees of the Post Office who happened to be near the windows, and passers-by, were regaled with some choice bits of gossip.

In fact, the whole scene resembled more of a first visit to a

its working have not yet been announced and, it is, of course, hoped that the methods to be put into practice will bring about some alleviation of the present distressing situation. The control of imports and exports is naturally of primary importance in this monopoly plan, but it is the distributive end of the scheme to which particular attention should be paid. A similar position appears to have arisen in Great Britain, where the high prices being demanded for fish raised a protest from the public and the Government there has taken immediate steps to see that the distribution is maintained at a fair price level. Once the monopoly of rice, coming in and passing out of the Colony is assumed by the Government, the release of this essential commodity to the people at a fair price should be guaranteed. The experience of the past few months should have taught the Government that this part of the scheme must be foolproof against the unscrupulous methods which rice dealers have practised on the public, if the relief, which is so patently necessary, is to give satisfaction.

MR. AND MRS. HENRY R. LUCE reached the Colony yesterday and spent most of the afternoon looking over the Island. Both the Luces were very much excited about having finally arrived here and they seemed to be of one mind about having a good look around. They crossed the harbour on a full ferry and passed unnoticed in the 4.30 p.m. crowd travelling to Hongkong.

They intend to spend about three days here, Mr. Luce told reporters and will then fly to Chungking. There they will be the guests of Dr. H. H. Kung, and hope also to see Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

Mrs. Luce told us she had heard about the air raid on Chungking two days ago, but though she would like to experience a little of this war, she would gladly forego it as it was evidently not popular among the Chungking people.

Mrs. Luce, who is Clare Boothe, the playwright, hopes to write a book something on the lines of "Europe in the Spring" last year, dealing with the situation in the Far East. She is, therefore, in search of local colour wherever it may be found, and leaves the impression when met that she is observing and analysing every detail of the surrounding scenery.

CHINA ORIGIN

Mr. Luce, who is the editor and publisher of "Time," "Life," "Fortune," and the movie-strip "The March of Time," gave us the full story of his "China origin." He was born in Tengchow in Shantung Province, Mr. Luce said, where his parents were with the Presbyterian Mission. He attended

AGED MERCHANT SEAMEN THANK COLONY

The following letter was received by the Hon. Secretary of the British War Organisation, Hongkong, from the Royal Alfred Aged Merchant Seamen's Institution:

The Royal Alfred Home,
Belvedere, Kent.
March 12, 1941.

The Honorary Secretary,
The British War Organisation,
Hongkong.

Dear Sir—By the kindness of your organisation we have today received from the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation the handsome and very welcome gift of £750 in support of the work of this Institution.

We wish to convey to you and to all the members of your Organisation our warm and sincere thanks for this valuable and heartening sympathy and support in our work for British Merchant Seamen, their widows and dependants. We know that these very worthy men and women are truly grateful for the assistance it is our pleasure and privilege to extend to them in their hour of need. The work British seamen are doing today is receiving the whole-hearted sympathy and admiration of all fair minded people, and we are glad that by the support extended to us we have so far been able to respond to every needy and deserving case which has come to our notice.

With renewed thanks and with very best wishes.

COUNCILLOR APPEALS TO REASON

Asked for his opinion of the action of the ex-nightsoil coolies, the Hon. Mr. LI TSE-FONG stated that the carriers should nominate three or four representatives and have them call on the Chinese members of the two Councils instead of parading round the streets.

He admitted that the holding of such demonstrations constitute an infringement of the law and that the local authorities have been most tolerant.

"I really think they should desist before Government decide to take drastic action to stop them," said Mr. Li.

Copies of the appeal sent to the foreign newspapers have also been sent to the Chinese Press," went on Mr. Li. "Apparently the carriers do not want assistance nor re-employment, but simply to have their old method back. We are prepared to do all within our power to help these poor coolies, but they must be reasonable."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Herbert Yung Shang-tong, bank clerk, of No. 49 Village Road, and Miss Chow Sin-fong, of No. 25 King Kwong Street.

Mr. Manuel Pang Hernandez, unemployed, of No. 169 Sai Yeung Choi Street, and Miss Alicia Lau, of the same address.

WEDDINGS AT REGISTRY

The following marriages took place at the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday with Mr. J. Reynolds, Deputy Registrar, officiating:

Mr. Chang Beh-quin, accountant, of No. 49 Village Road, and Miss Chow Sin-fong, of No. 25 King Kwong Street.

Mr. Gastao Fausto Ribeiro Goulart D'Aquino, foreman, of No. 3 Salisbury Avenue, and Miss Maria De La Pay Simjany Soler, San Fernando, Pampanga, P.I.

Mr. Chan Chun-man, merchant, of No. 183 Hennessy Road, and Miss Kwok Hang-kow, of No. 11 Staunton Street.

"Time" Publisher And Playwright Wife Here For Good Look Around

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As to the nature of his mission to Chungking, Mr. Luce said he was combining business with pleasure and was, therefore, here on a kind of busman's holiday. Back at home he was connected with an organisation known as China Relief.

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FOR CHINA RELIEF

The Society was soon to broadcast a United China Relief Appeal and had set at its goal a sum of \$5,000,000 for China relief. Mr. Wendell Willkie was on the board of this Society, as were Ambrose Bullitt, Mr. P. W. Lamont, the banker, Mr. James G. Blaine, and many other prominent men in the United States.

Mr. Luce believes in aid to Britain and the delivery of all roads necessary to the defence of the democratic world.

While in China and the Far East, he will study the nature of the Democratic Front in the Far East.

THE DETAILS of the Government's monopoly plan and

CHANGE OVER FROM PEACE TO WAR-TIME ECONOMY: NEW LEGISLATION

"The other day an interesting and important bill was discussed in the House of Commons. They call it the Liabilities Wartime Adjustment Bill, which makes it possible for debtors who cannot pay their debts to come to some agreement with their creditors," said MR. DONALD TYERMAN, the well-known economist, when he broadcast from London yesterday on the special legislation which was being passed in the country to meet business and financial difficulties with which people were faced.

Mr. Tyerman said that the question had been raised firstly because of the movement of the population, in consequence of which the lodgings house keepers, hotel keepers and garage owners, etc., were losing their customers and clients.

POSTPONED PAYMENTS

"Many of them if they are pressed to pay their debts will lose their livelihood, but that is not the end of the matter," continued Mr. Tyerman. "The people who suffer from the effects of evacuation are only one class of the sufferers."

"There are the men who are called up for military service, for instance. The fact that they have been called up to receive military allowances and may suffer hardship was fully recognised when the war started and there is legislation which allows them to postpone payment of their debts in needy cases.

"But there is another class whom this new bill will help. These are the people who are bound to lose business because of the change-over from peace-time to war-time economy. As the need to push up war production has become more necessary, civilian employment and business has been cut down more and more."

PRODUCTION IMPERATIVE

"Manufacturers have, as a result, been hard hit and shopkeepers have suffered correspondingly. This is war-time and the biggest war-production is imperative. We have already had to close down certain factories in order to concentrate in a few factories, and using as little labour as possible. There is a suggestion now that retailers and shops be watched in the same way so as to realise the maximum amount of labour for war work.

"This curtailment of trade and telescoping, as it has been called, of firms are disadvantages from the civilian point of view," continued Mr. Tyerman. "The first disadvantage will be the short-term one. People are thrown out of work and may lose their jobs and the idea is to set these people free in order to take them on again when the war is over.

"This is on a par with the new idea of registering men and women for war work, as they are already registered for military service. Of course, there will be some hardship, though it will only be short-lived. It is, therefore, necessary to take care of the men and women so displaced and to provide for the debts they cannot repay.

HARDSHIP INEVITABLE

"This has only been partly done, but some of the measures that are necessary to speed up war production inevitably cause hardship. I think, you can see, therefore, that this bill is the latest example of the new attitude which is determined to see that problems of compensation do not interfere with the war effort to close it down, then it must be closed down, and if there is any hardship it must be compensated.

This bill does not actually compensate people so that they may

NOW MINISTER
OF STATE



Lord Beaverbrook, who has resigned from the Ministry for Aircraft Production and has been appointed Minister of State.

IMPORTANCE TO INDIA

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The PIONEER (Lucknow) says that this may be a blessing in disguise to cause America to take a plunge on Britain's side.

LEAFLETS DROPPED

Twenty-four thousand leaflets in the Arabic language were dropped by the R.A.F. aircraft over Baghdad on Sunday. The planes were on their return journey after heavily attacking Moascar Al Rashid, and the large Iraqi military station east of Baghdad.

Many tons of bombs were dropped on hangars, workshops, offices and buildings, and aircraft were dispersed on the ground, states the British Air Ministry. The magazine was again hit and transport concentration damaged. At least one enemy aircraft was destroyed and many damaged by splinters and bullets.

Two enemy fighter planes are believed to have been shot down and one British aircraft failed to return to its base.

Both Moascar Al Rashid and the Baghdad airport were machine-gunned by the R.A.F. later in the day, when one plane was set on fire and at least three were hit at each aerodrome.

NAVICERTS NEEDED

SHANGHAI, May 5 (Reuter)—As from May 15, all ships sailing through the Persian Gulf will require ships' navicerts and all sea-borne cargo of neutral origin consigned to Iran, or Iraq, via the Persian Gulf, will require to be covered by navicerts.

Applications in respect of shipments to be made between May 15 and 22 should be made not later than May 8, says the British Embassy.

FAPI ACCEPTED AT DISCOUNT

PEIPING, May 5 (Reuter)—It was passed at the 99th meeting of the North China Political Affairs Commission that Fapi will hereafter be accepted at 40 per cent discount, according to the local Chinese Press.

The circulation of Fapi in North China was forbidden by the former provisional Government. But at some places Fapi may be exchanged for Federal Reserve Bank notes at a discount of between 60 to 90 per cent, and used to pay taxes at 90 per cent discount.

In view of the present devaluation of the value of Fapi, it was deemed necessary to review the regulations. Hereafter various cities and villages, in accordance with the situation, will be divided into Central Reserve Bank note district, Federal Reserve Bank note district, and other districts.

USE FORBIDDEN

In the Central Reserve Bank note district, the use of Fapi is forbidden. In the Federal Reserve Bank note district, Government organisations may redeem Fapi at 40 per cent discount within two months after the revised regulations are enforced.

In the other districts, where peace and order are expected to be established, Government organisations may redeem Fapi at 40 per cent discount and villagers may use Fapi to pay for taxes at the rate which will be fixed at the moment. At present, the rate is being fixed at 40 per cent discount.

"Fapi" is the Japanese military note.

PRESENT WAR THE OUTCOME OF CHURCHILL'S "DIABOLICAL AND FANATICAL" PLOT!

LONDON, May 5 (Reuter)—Speaking at a session of the Reichstag yesterday evening, HERB HITLER said that at a time when deeds are everything, "I DO NOT INTEND TO COME BEFORE YOU MORE THAN IS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY. I turned to you for the first time at the outbreak of war when, thanks to Franco-British conspiracy against peace, every attempt at settlement with Poland, otherwise certainly possible, had failed."

"All my attempts to reach with Britain particularly permanent and friendly co-operation were frustrated by the wish of a small clique which turned down every German proposal for an understanding. The moving spirit of this plan, as fanatical as it was diabolical, to get war at any price was even at that time Churchill and his assistants, the men who now form his government."

"The strongest open and concealed support was accorded these efforts by the so-called great Democracies on both sides of the ocean. At a time when discontent was increasing among nations, responsible men there with their failing art of government considered that they could best master problems for which there was no longer any solution by a successful war. Behind them stood great international Jewish banks and exchanges."

With reference to the attack on Yugoslavia and Greece, Hitler said that the operations were greatly facilitated by the sympathetic assistance of Hungary and the loyal

attitude of Rumania, without which it would have been extremely difficult to carry out his plans in time.

He described Mr. Churchill's decision to send troops to Greece as "one of the famous strategical blunders of this war."

REVERSES IN LIBYA

Hitler added that if Italy obtained territorial and political influence as a result of the Balkan campaign, "she has more than earned it by the great sacrifices in blood which she has made for the future of the Axis since October last year."

The temporary reverses in Libya, Hitler said, were caused by inferiority in tanks and anti-tank guns.

Paying tribute to the quality of German weapons and munitions, Hitler declared, "We must maintain the lead we now have. German women must make an additional contribution to the national effort."

Referring presumably to the United States, Hitler said, "If Democratic agitators are counting on choking the National Socialist state with the force of their system and material production there can only be one answer—the German people will never again experience a year like 1918. The force of arms will never make us yield, let alone break us. The German soldier will be given still better weapons this year and next year."

Hitler accused Mr. Churchill of planning to transform the Balkans into theatre of war as early as the winter of 1939/40.

PAY BITTERLY

He referred to the British guarantees to Rumania and Greece and said Rumania had to pay bitterly for the guarantee which was calculated to estrange her from the Axis powers.

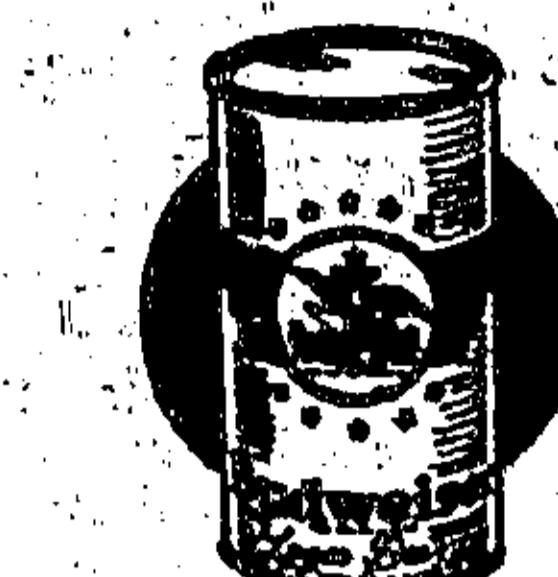
Hitler paid a tribute to the resistance offered by the Greek soldiers.

He said that Churchill had alleged that the Greek campaign had cost Germany 75,000 lives which was more than double the losses of the whole Western campaign.

The number of Englishmen, New Zealanders and Australians taken prisoner exceeds 9,000 officers and men, declared Hitler, adding that the booty cannot be even approximately estimated at present.

According to the statement of claim, by a contract in writing on June 15, 1939, defendants agreed to deliver to plaintiffs for repair of tea boxes imported into Hong Kong in the custody, order or contract of defendants, at 4¢ cents per box. The agreement was to be in force from June 16, 1939, to June 15, 1940.

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BREACH OF CONTRACT ALLEGED: CLAIM FOR \$17,000 DAMAGES

A suit claiming damages suffered from an alleged breach of contract for the repair of tea boxes in the Colony was brought before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Supreme Court yesterday, by the MING CHEONG HONG, contractors, carrying on business at No. 128, Belchers Street, ground floor.

The defendants were the FU HUA TRADING CO., given as importers and exporters of tea, No. 33 Praya, Kennedy Town.

Plaintiffs were represented by Mr. Elton Potter, K. C., and Mr. Lo Tung-fan, instructed by Mr. C. Y. Kwan. The Hon. Mr. Leo d'Alma, Jnr., instructed by Mr. Peter H. Sun, was for the defendants.

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The defence, as originally filed, denied that plaintiffs were contractors and further said that they were a division of the Foreign Trade Commission of the Ministry of Finance of the Republic of China. They denied that they ever agreed to deliver to plaintiffs for repair all tea boxes imported into the Colony under their control or order and also denied that there was a breach of contract.

Further, defendants said that on or about Sept. 29, 1939 plaintiffs and defendants agreed in writing to vary the terms of the contract as from Oct. 1.

Defendants further claimed a breach of the contract by plaintiffs in that they employed less than 40 workmen from Shanghai in consequence of which repairs to the boxes were carried out unsatisfactorily.

Defendants brought a counter-claim that by reason of plaintiffs withdrawal of workmen and refusal to perform the contract on or about Mar. 28, 1940, they had to engage their own workmen to effect repairs and had incurred expenses and suffered damages to the amount of \$1,904.67.

Besides Belfast, LIVERPOOL and MERSEYSIDE were raided for the fourth night in succession by Nazi bombers last night.

One plane was brought down by anti-aircraft fire, making a total "bag" of seven.

NOT SO HEAVY

Casualties in Belfast were not so large as originally feared while the loss of life was less than expected in view of the intensity of the attack.

On the question of damages Mr. Potter said the tea with which they were concerned fell into three categories: (1) the 431,201 boxes which admittedly would be dealt with under the contract; (2) tea actually in defendants' possession at the date of the contract which consisted of 94,696 boxes; and (3) tea transferred to defendants by the China National Tea Corporation, amounting to 132,320 in addition to 388 boxes transferred from the Chinese Maritime Customs.

Piloted by Squadron-leader Lumsden, of the R.A.F. and British Air Ministry expert, the plane will be a prototype for local production.

H.K. POLO CLUB GYMKHANA

Owing to the long spell of wet weather the Hongkong Polo Club Gymkhana is unavoidably postponed to Saturday, May 24.

Further hearing was adjourned to this morning.

SHAI RACE CLUB SPRING MEETING

SHANGHAI, May 5 (Reuter)—The following are this morning's results of the second day's events of the Shanghai Race Club's Spring meeting:

1st. Race—Fuken Handicap, "C" Class, 7 furlongs:—1. Fang's Chengtu (H. Hoang); 2. Levy's The Spear (G. R. Cheape); 3. Jack Kay's Mayfair (C. Y. Wong). Time: 1:50-4/6.

1st. Race—Funien Handicap, "C" Class, 7 furlongs:—1. G. V. Cherdynoff's Woodbridge (A. Noot); 2. John Spake's Pivot Roy (G. R. Cheape); 3. Cire's Flery Guy (C. B. Moller). Time: 1:49-1/5.

2nd. Race—Fuken Handicap, "A" Class, 7 furlongs:—1. G.M.L.'s Blue Boy (P. Marshall); 2. Jewell's Romford (T. C. Woo); 3. C. S. Franklin's Steve Brodie (G. P. Gram). Time: 1:49-1/5.

3rd. Race—Exchange Plate, 1/2 mile:—1. Island's Island Hero (C. Y. Wong); 2. Patria's Furoso (J. Holden); 3. National's National Patriot (P. Y. Wong). Time: 1:00-1/5.

4th. Race—Yucatan Plate, 3/4 mile:—1. Island's Island Hero (A. C. Ching); 2. Jewell's Opeon (Tommy Chi); 3. Three Star's Ciansman (C. Encarnacao). Time: 1 minute 34-1/5 seconds.

5th. Race—Austral Trial Plate, 1 mile:—1. Vents' Mistral (M. M. Sokoloff); 2. Golden's Golden Hen (L. E. House); 3. Myfread's Sun Maid (H. J. Holden). Time: 1 min. 47-3/5 seconds.

6th. Race—Austral Chakaza Cup, 9 furlongs:—1. W. M. Fowler's and J. T. S. Reed's Man O'Might (A. Noot); 2. Golden's Golden Hen (L. E. House); 3. Winsome's & Hasty's Ironstone (H. J. Holden). Time: 2 minutes 8 seconds.

7th. Race—Kangsui Stakes, 7 furlongs:—1. A. V. White's White Willie (L. E. House); 2. C. S. Franklin's Phantom (T. Y. Woo); 3. A. S. Henchman's Eye (C. Encarnacao). Time: 1 minute 48-2/5 seconds.

8th. Race—Excision Plate, 7 furlongs:—1. C. S. Mac's Bowman (T. Y. Woo); 2. K.H.'s Spring Day (P. L. Chin); 3. Away's Buckaway (C. B. Moller). Time: 1 minute 57-1/5 seconds.

9th. Race—Sub-Griffins Derby Plate (Classical), 1-1/2 miles:—1. C. S. Mac's Merry Sportsman (T. Y. Woo); 2. Dun's Dunhuang (A. V. Striker); 3. Taly's Great General (Y. S. Chang). Time: 3 minutes 17-3/5 seconds.

10th. Race—Hunt Cup, 2 miles:—1. Clunie's Clunie Hill (A. V. Striker); 2. A. S. Henchman's Bagshot (C. Encarnacao); 3. C. S. Franklin's Silver Fox (G. P. Gram). Time: 4 minutes 18-2/5 seconds.

11th. Race—Chekiang Stakes, 9 furlongs:—1. Mrs. William McBain's Magic Circle (P. Marshall); 2. A. S. Henchman's Northwood (C. Encarnacao); 3. A. V. White's White Parade (L. E. House). Time: 2 minutes 51-4/5 seconds.

12th. Race—Yucca Plate, 1 mile:—1. Army's Army Force (T. Y. Wong); 2. A. V. White's White Attack (C. B. Moller); 3. C. S. Mac's Merry G-man (A. C. Ching). Time: 2 minutes 51-4/5 seconds.

CHINESE YOUTH DAY



Dr. Chu Yan-kwong addressing the gathering of students at the Youth Day celebrations at the Fu Ying School, Bonham Rd., on Sunday afternoon. Sixteen primary schools participated. (Sun Ying Ming).

TUESDAY, MAY 6, 1941.

LAMMERTS' AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned have received
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Wednesday, the 7th May, 1941.

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- 1 Surf Board
- 2 Steel Beds
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- 1 "Frigidaire" Refrigerator
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On View from Tuesday,
the 6th May, 1941.

Terms: Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.
AUCTIONEERS.

U.S. "EVER READY TO
FIGHT FOR DEMOCRACY"

STAUNTON, Virginia, May 5 (Reuter)—Speaking at the dedication of President Woodrow Wilson's birthplace as a national shrine, President Roosevelt declared that the American people had fought before and were "ever ready to fight again" for the existence of "democracy in the world."

The President said that Wilson taught that democracy could not survive in isolation. "We applaud his judgment and his faith."

Mr. Matsuoka
Puts Forward
A Suggestion

TOKYO, May 5 (Reuter)—Discarding suggestions that he should go to the United States, Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, the Japanese Foreign Minister, in an interview at Kyoto, asserted that it would be far more appropriate for President Roosevelt or Mr. Cordell Hull to come to Tokyo to learn about the conditions existing in the Orient.

"I studied in America; I know Americans and I can grasp the real situation now existing in the United States; but I doubt whether President Roosevelt, or Mr. Hull can grasp the true situation in the Far East."

"I believe that Japanese-American problems could be more easily solved by President Roosevelt or Mr. Hull visiting Japan, than by my going to the United States," he said.

R.A.F. AIRCRAFT
BOMB CONVOY

CAIRO, May 5 (Reuter)—An R. A. F. communiqué reports that R. A. F. bombers on May 2 attacked a convoy of enemy merchant ships, escorted by destroyers, in the Mediterranean.

Direct hits were made on the destroyers and three merchant ships of 12,000, 8,000 and 4,000 tons respectively.

BREST RAIDS

BERLIN, May 5 (Reuter)—Owing to recent British bombing raids on Brest where the Scharnhorst and Gneisenau are lying, Admiral Darlan, according to a

Paris despatch to the official German news agency, had decided that all workers in Brest harbour who are heads of families shall receive an additional allowance of 300 francs a month.

GENERAL

HK POLICE
RESERVE

Orders by the Hon. Mr. J. P. Pennefather-Evans, Commissioner of Police.

CHINESE COMPANY

Strength—Acting Lance Sergeant (R) 1304 Wong Shiu Pun has been transferred to "A" Company and re-numbered R2 as from April 28, 1941.

Promotion. Acting Police Sergeant (R) 1 Tso Chi-on has been promoted to the rank of Acting Sub Inspector (R) as from April 29, 1941.

Inspection Parade. All ranks of the Chinese Company will parade on Wednesday, May 7 for a general inspection of equipment etc. by the Company Commander. A, B and C Companies will fall in at Murray Barracks, Parade Ground at 17.15 hours sharp and D and E Companies will fall in at Central Police Station at 17.45 hours sharp.

Dress—Khaki Uniform, Cap with Khaki Cover, Belt with Brace, Whistle and Chain and Truncheon, "Pocket-Policeman" and Note-Book to be carried. The Equipment Officer will make it a point of being present.

Training Course—Part IV. Those detailed will attend Reserve Headquarters for Part IV of Training Course under Inspector (R) Lau Shiu Chuen on Tuesday, May 6 at 17.15 hours sharp.

Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

INDIAN COMPANY

Strength, Constables (R) 208 S. Z. Alam, (R) 240 Atta Mohamed and (R) 269 Abdullah Khan have been permitted to resign from the Indian Company as from April 29, 1941.

Inspection Parade. All ranks of the Indian Company will parade on Wednesday, May 7 for a general inspection of equipment etc. by the Company Commander. A and B Companies will fall in at Murray Barracks Parade Ground at 17.15 hours sharp.

Dress—Khaki Uniform, Cap with Khaki Cover, Belt with Brace, Whistle and Chain and Truncheon, "Pocket-Policeman" and Note-Book to be carried. The Equipment Officer will make it a point of being present.

Training Course—Part II. Those detailed will attend Reserve Head-

WORKERS SHARE
A FORTUNE

Several thousand employees in all parts of the world share in the £77,000 fortune left by Viscount Wakefield, head of the oil refinery firm of C. C. Wakefield and Co. who died in January, aged 81.

Most of them were assured a "nest-egg" five years ago when Lord Wakefield introduced a non-contributory pensions scheme.

All those not covered by that scheme are given legacies in his will, published this week, ranging from one month's wages for those of one year's service to a year's wages for those of ten years' service.

quarters for Part II of Training Course under Police Sergeant (R) 214 Channan Singh on Thursday and Friday, May 8 and 9 at 17.15 hours sharp.

Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

FLYING SQUAD

Police Sergeant (R) 371 K. B. Lee has been promoted to the rank of Acting Sub Inspector (R) as from April 30, 1941.

Training Course—Part I. Those detailed will attend Murray Barracks Parade Ground for Part I of Training Course on Wednesday, May 7 at 17.15 hours sharp. Dress—Khaki Uniform, and Cap with Khaki Cover.

Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

EMERGENCY UNIT RESERVE

Promotion. Lance Sergeant (R) 452 O. R. Sadick has been promoted to the rank of Acting Police Sergeant (R) as from May 3, 1941.

Training Course—Part I. All ranks of the "B" Company will parade at the Murray Barracks Parade Ground at 17.15 hours sharp on Wednesday, May 7 for Part I of Training Course, under Acting Inspector (R) M. A. de Sousa, Dress—Khaki Uniform, and Cap with Khaki Cover.

Training Course—Part III. All members of the "B" Company who have not qualified in Part III of Training Course will attend Reserve Headquarters on Friday, May 9 for instructions under Police Ser-

BROTHERS HAD
A WILL PACT

In an unpretentious office in Holborn Viaduct, two brothers both bachelors, built up a huge fortune from previous careers.

They were inseparable. They lived together, went to work together, went everywhere together.

And together they made a note of all the people who did them a kindness.

The brothers were Sir Arthur and Mr. Alexander Michael Levy, of the Mount, Maidenhead, and Bristol House, Holborn Viaduct, E.C.

LEFT £500,000

And, as they helped and trusted each other in life, they arranged to do the same when death had parted them.

When they drew up their wills each left the other much of his fortune, and, in addition, power to decide about their bequests.

Two years ago Sir Arthur died leaving £500,000.

Alexander did not pay out the bequests, but incorporated them in his own will.

This week the will of Alexander, who died in January, aged 83, was made public.

Alexander left £820,339, and his will is a long list of bequests to individuals and to charities.

Many who received nothing when Sir Arthur died now get double

POLE HOSPITAL

The brothers' executors, Mr. Guy Tooth, now an Army captain, receives £15,000. Their butler, Mr. Wm. Durham, gets £1,000.

House servants, medical attendants, friends, office staff, all benefit.

Miss Ethel Brown, stenographer, receives £4,000. Former employee benefit, too—£3,000 for Harry Blanks, former chauffeur, and £2,000 for Mary Williams, former cook among others.

Even Alexander's chiropodist gets £50.

Nineteen London hospitals each receive £1,000 to endow an "Arthur" and Alexander Levy bed.

The residue goes to the King Edward's Hospital Fund to found and maintain a surgical home, but a codicil states that if death duties and war-time depreciation of the estate make the residue insufficient it is to be allowed to accumulate up to 20 years.

MR. RAMSAY MUIR
PASSES

LONDON, May 5 (Reuter)—

Mr. Ramsay Muir, one of the most prominent members of the Liberal Party and a noted writer on historical, municipal and economic subjects, died yesterday aged 83.

He resigned from a University professorship and became a member of Parliament and was Chairman of the National Federation for three years.

Training Course—Part III. All

members of the "B" Company who

have not qualified in Part III of Training Course will attend Reserve Headquarters on Friday, May 9 for instructions under Police Ser-

PLAN LEFT
IN CAR

When Ernest Hubbard, of Barnard Castle, appeared at York and admitted "endangering the safety of a secret document," Mr. Old, barrister defending, said:

"The mere mention of the Official Secrets Act conjures up visions of spies, traitors, and beautiful female decoys. There is nothing like that in this case."

The prosecution alleged that Hubbard, the representative of contractors at a new aerodrome, was left a plan of the aerodrome.

The police found it in the back of an unlocked car in York at five o'clock one morning.

Hubbard was fined £10 and £7 costs.

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QUO TAI-CHI URGES U.S. AID TO CHINA TO WIN DEMOCRATIC CAUSE

DR. QUO TAI-CHI, the Chinese Foreign Minister-designate, in a broadcast message to the American people, appealed to them for war materials including guns and planes to enable China to continue her struggle for the democratic cause. He assured the Americans that the Chinese will fight as long as necessary to free the Chinese soil of Japanese invaders and to vindicate their right to exist as a nation and to live their own life in their own way.

The message was broadcast on the Columbia Broadcasting System in a nation-wide hook-up.

Dr. Quo told the Americans that China is growing stronger since the war started and the people are not discouraged by the occupation of large areas as China had anticipated it. He added that for making Japan's occupation expensive and forcing her to use up her strength, China has done considerable service to the cause of England and America. Singapore still stands, Dr. Quo said, partly because Chinese resistance has weakened Japan.

Continuing, Dr. Quo declared: "It is fitting that China should make contribution to the democratic cause for that cause is the same the world over. It is a single struggle though with many fronts and we who believe in the way or life of free men shall stand or fall together."

MUST BE FORTIFIED

"Magnificent as England's stand is, she must be fortified with weapons for fighting, with resources of raw materials and machinery, without which the soldier in a modern war is helpless however brave he may be."

"You in America are giving England that fortification and I am glad that you are doing so. But as a Chinese, I must remind you that China is in the same position. Our needs are even greater for England's industry is immeasurably advanced as compared to ours. We must be fortified with means to fight. We must have resources of materials, machinery and weapons."

"Like England, we don't want men. We have more than enough men all willing to fight. We want only it be made possible for them

5 MONTHS A VICHY CAPTIVE

A Bristol ex-councillor who arrived in England after five months captivity found:

His home destroyed by a bomb. His wife and daughter killed, and

His seat on the council filled in his absence.

Mr. Wm. Makin, 48-years-old Labour Councillor and a ship's engineer, cabled his wife from Gibraltar that he was homeward bound. The cable never reached her. That night she and her daughter were killed in an air raid.

The story of Mr. Makin's captivity begins on June 17, when his ship, with cargo of coal, arrived at Algiers.

Shortly afterwards the ship was detained by order of the Vichy authorities and the crew arrested.

On July 3, the officers and crew were taken to a French-Arab military prison by 80 French Naval ratings armed with rifles and bayonets.

They found another ship's company in the reception hall, and that night — the night of the bombardment of Oran — they spent in verminous cells.

THE TWO HUTS

Next day they were released, only to be re-arrested on July 31, and taken back to prison. By underground methods they managed to let the American Consul know what had happened.

The same night the prisoners were driven in five charabancs 80 miles over the Atlas Mountains to Camp Carnot.

There, eight men to a compound, they slept on beds of canvas nailed to wooden trebles.

On Nov. 7, after 14 weeks of the camp, the prisoners were lined up by the French-Arab prison-guards and marched to a village nine kilometres away.

At 9 a.m. each was supplied with a 2lb. loaf, a tin of sardines, and a tin of meat paste mixed with garlic. They had nothing to drink. They were told they were entraining for Casablanca.

For 78 hours they travelled by goods train over the Atlas Mountains and the Moroccan Sahara, a fishing-trawler.

NORWEGIAN FARMERS UNDER NAZI FIRE

A long period of strife between the Norwegian Farmers Association (Norges Bondelag) and the Nazis has now come to a climax with the forced dismissal of its president, Mr. Johan Melby, and with his being placed under house arrest following his refusal to obey orders from the Nazi minister of agriculture.

The Secretary-General of the Farmers Association, Mr. Wilhelm Dietrichson, has also been relieved of his post by German request.

This conflict began last autumn when at a council meeting of the Association an attempt to elect Nazi sympathisers as councillors met a crushing defeat. Since that time ever-increasing pressure was brought to bear upon the farmers by the puppet government.

The proposed January meeting of the National Farmers Council was forbidden, the government using as pretext a current epidemic of foot-and-mouth disease, while subsequent meetings were ordered deferred for one reason or another.

Finally, after engineering the resignation of several loyal councillors and replacing them with Nazi sympathisers, the Quisling government agreed to let a council meeting be held at the end of February.

Distance of 1,365 Kilometres to Casablanca.

A French Naval patrol and soldiers of the Foreign Legion were waiting for us. We were taken in covered vans under armed guard to the barracks of the Foreign Legion.

Here 24 officers were housed in a wooden hut. No one was allowed to speak to us. The place was verminous.

In a hut of similar size 127 ordinary seamen were housed, including British, Indians, Arabs and Chinese. They lay on the floor on straw. Eventually the Europeans were separated from the natives.

On Nov. 28, the prisoners were told they were leaving for Gibraltar. In covered vans with an armed motor-cycle patrol for escort they were taken and put aboard a fishing-trawler.

DAILY LIFE IN NORWAY

(From a letter just received by a Norwegian family in America we quote the following comments on life under the Nazis.)

"Yes, keeping house in times like these is certainly difficult. For rationing is very strict. Meat can scarcely be found anywhere, and even farmers who have pigs are not allowed to use them for their own families. It is almost impossible to get fish because the fishermen have no gasoline for their boats... You can't think of buying anything without a ration card, not even thread, yarn or a tiny piece of cloth."

"We get 300 coupons per year in our card, but a dress requires 150 coupons and a little yarn 30 coupons. Men can buy only one suit or overcoat a year. I am in despair when I think how many coupons it takes just to buy stockings for the boys."

"Even with a bread card we have to buy 9 kilos of coarsely ground rye meal in order to have one kilo of wheat meal; as for real flour, that can't be bought in the stores. It's a daily problem to know what to prepare for meals. Fortunately we have enough milk, at least up to now."

"I could write a great deal more about difficulties in housekeeping, about having to stand in line at the market place for hours in order to buy five eggs, and so on, but I shouldn't complain too much, for we have not suffered extreme hardship yet..."

HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE, SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Buyer	Sellers	Sales	Nominal	MONDAY 5 MAY.	Buyer	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
				Banks				
				\$1325 H.K. Banks				\$1325
				278 Do. (Col. Reg.)				278
				27 Do. (Lon. Reg.)				270
				28 Chartered Banks				28
				292 Mercantile Bks. "A"				11/16
				214 Mercantile Bks. "C"				224
				Bank of East Asia	\$70			11/14
				15 ct.				
				N. C. & S. Banks				
				Insurances				
				2924 Canton Insurances				2924
				2490 Union Insurances				2420
				81 Underwriters	60 cts			
				H.K. Fire				187
				Shipping				
				282 Doupleboats				282
				84 Steamboats				72
				Indo-China (Pref.)				80
				4074 Indo-China (Def.)				80
				3655 Shells				41/3
				Waterboats				364
				Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.				
				834 H.K. & K. Wharves				
				Prov. Providents	\$4.60	\$14.00		856
				— H.K. Docks (Old)				
				— H.K. Docks (New)				
				2854 Shanghai Docks				2550
				Mining				
				15/8 Kai Lai				14/0
				38 Raubs				88
				14 cta. Hong Kong Mines				
				Lands, Hotels and Buildings				
				H.K. & S. Hotels				
				321 H.K. Lands				8290
				374 Do. 4% Debentures				831
				324 Shanghai Lands				8974
				329 H.K. Realities				...
				327 Humphreys Chinese Estates				8670
				Cotton Mills				
				328 Ewo. (S.)				8374
				320 Shai. Cottons (S.)				8200
				329 Zoong Sings (S.)				835
				330 Wing On Textiles (S.)				8200
				Public Utilities				
				321 H.R. Tramways	\$15.60	85		8200
				374 Peak Trams (old)				831
				323 Peak Trams (new)				8974
				324 Star Ferries				...
				325 Y'mati Ferries	\$23.00			835
				326 China Lights (O.)				8385
				327 China Lights (New)				8340
				328 H.K. Electrica (Old)				82440
				329 H.K. Electrica (New)				82368
				330 H.K. Electrica (Rta)				81265
				321 Macao Electrica				
				322 Macao Electrica				
				323 Sandakan Lights				
				324 Telephones (old)				
				325 Telephones (new)				
				Industrial				
				326 Cald. Macq. (Ord.) S.				
				327 Cald. Macq. (Pref.) S.				
				328 Cement	\$14.75	75 cts		
				329 H.K. Boxes	\$6.50			
				330 H.K. Govt. Letters				
				321 4% Loan				
				322 5% Loan (1940)				
				323 Miscellaneous				
				324 Dairy Farms				8172
				325 Entertainment				864
				326 Constructions (old)				8165
				327 Constructions (new)				871
				328 Lands Crawford	\$3.95			
				329 Nanyang Tobacco	\$2.30			8930
				330 Sincere				200%
				331 Watsons				849
				332 Ch. G. 1/2% 1925 \$Bds.				814
				333 H.K. Wing On				804
				334 S'hai Wing On				813
				335 Vibro Piling				803
				336 Marman's Inv. (Lon.)				812
				337 Marman's Inv. (H.K.)				811
				338 Wm. Powells			</td	

FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

MAY 5, 1941.

On London:	Telegraphic Transfer 1/3 7/8 Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/8 Credits 4 months' sight
On Shanghai:	On demand 4/5
On Singapore:	On demand 5/3 4/4
On Japan:	On demand 1/3 1/2
On India:	Telegraphic Transfer 1/3 5/8 and demand 5/3
On New York:	Bank Bills, on demand 23 3/4 Credits, 60 days' sight 24 1/2
On Batavia:	On demand 4/4 1/2
On Paris:	Bank Bills, on demand Nom. Credits 4 months' sight Nom.
On Saigon:	On demand 10/3
On Manila:	On demand 47 1/2
On Bangkok:	On demand 149 1/2
On Sterling Notes:	Bank Buying Rate ... Nom. Bar Silver per oz. 23 1/2

Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

Monday, May 5.
Silver prices were unchanged over the week-end, the quotations remaining at 23.1/2 for both Ready and Forward. American Silver was unquoted.

The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 403.1/2. New York/London was quoted at 403.1/2.

MARKET

Quiet.

STERLING

No business was reported. There were sellers at 1/3 up to June, buyers at 1/3 1/2 for any delivery.

U. S. DOLLARS

A small business was reported early in the morning at 24.1/8 for near delivery. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 24.1/8 for near and forward, buyers at 24.3/8 for Cash.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Nothing doing. There were sellers at 466.1/2, buyers at 467.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Opened with sellers of Sterling at 313.64 and closed steadier with sellers at 3.7/32 for Spot. U. S. Dollars opened with sellers at 5.5/32 and closed a shade steadier with sellers at 5.3/16 for Spot.

AFTERNOON MARKET

Quiet.

STERLING

The market closed with sellers at 1/3 up to June, buyers at 1/3 1/2 for any delivery.

U. S. DOLLARS

Nothing doing. The market closed with sellers at 24.1/8, buyers at 24.3/16 for Cash.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

A small business was done at 467, 466.3/4, and 466.3/8. The market closed with small sellers at 466.1/4, buyers at 466.1/2.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Sterling closed with sellers at 3.7/32 for Spot and U. S. Dollars at 5.3/16 for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, May 5 (Reuter).

Official T.T. Rates

Opening	London	May 5/1/8	New York	5/1/8	Japan	21-3/4	India	47-3/4	Paris	nominal	Hongkong	20-3/4
Spot	\$5-5/32	\$5-3/16	0/3-7/31	0/3-7/32	May	0/3-7/32	0/3-7/32	June	0/3-7/32	0/3-7/32	U. S. Dollars	0/3-7/32
U. S. Dollars	\$5-5/32	\$5-3/16	5-5/32	5-3/16	May	5-5/32	5-3/16	June	5-5/32	5-3/16	Market	Steady.
Silver Duty Rate												

The Central Bank of China is closed today in commemoration of the founding of the National Government.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET (REUTER'S SERVICE)

NEW YORK, May 3, 1941.

	Prev.	Today's	High	Low	Close	Close	Change
New York Cotton, May	11.65	11.57	11.83	11.57	11.57	11.57	.26 up
New York Rubber, May	23.83	23.35	23.30	23.33	23.33	23.33	.53 up
Chicago Wheat, May	934	91	90	931	91	91	.31 up
Chicago Corn, May	69	684	68	681	681	681	.4 up
New York Hides, June	14.12	14.05	14.05	14.11b	14.11b	14.05	.06 up

NEW YORK COTTON

	Close	Closing	Change
May	11.54/55	11.51/51	.27 up
July	11.57/57	11.53/53	.26 up
October	11.66/67	11.58/58	.22 up
December	11.66/66	11.59/59	.23 up
January	11.62 N	11.57 N	.25 up
March	11.63/63	11.56/56	.23 up
Spot	11.73	12.05	.27 up

Total sales, Friday: 603,500 bales.

The last trading day for May cotton is May 16.

NEW YORK RUBBER

	May	23.56 N	23.13 N	.43 off
July (New contract)	23.30/30	23.33/33	.53 up	
September ()	22.85b/89a	22.27/27	.42 up	
December ()	22.55/55	22.95/95	.04 up	

Total sales for the day: 1,240 tons.

The last trading day for May rubber is May 27.

CHICAGO WHEAT

	May	911/911	941/94	.29 up
July	90/904	938/933	.31 up	
September	901/901	931/931	.31 up	

Friday's sales: 8,028,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN

	May	681/681	69/69	.4 up
July	68/68	69/68	.4 up	
September	681/681	69/69	.4 up	

Total sales for the day: 81 lots.

NEW YORK HIDES

	June	14.05b/10a	14.11b/15a	.06 up
September	14.18/16	14.20/23	.04 up	

Total sales for the day: 81 lots.

NEW YORK COCOA

	May	7.65 N	Closed
The last trading day for May cocoa is May 22.			

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 3

	May	2.45b/46a	2.47b/48a	.02 up
Volume of business done: 266 lots.				

The last trading day for No. 3 Sugar is May 23.

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 4

	July	793b/80a	.79b/794	.001 off
The last trading day for No. 4 Sugar is May 1.				

NEW YORK COPPER FUTURES

	July	11.45b/50a	11.46b	.01 up
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FEWER SUITS AND COSTUMES

Britain's clothing industry is reorganising on a war basis, which means that civilians will find it increasingly difficult to get new suits. After the spring fashion season, big wholesale clothing factories will make very few costumes or coats for women.

Instead, the industry will be concentrating on Army, Navy, and Air Force clothing. The executive council of the Wholesale Clothing Manufacturers' Federation and the executive board of the National Union of Tailor and Garment Workers, which met in Leeds, put the finishing touches to plans to turn the whole industry on to a war-time basis, which cuts out all luxury manufacture and severely restricts the making of any type of clothing for civilian wear, writes a Home correspondent.

When I asked Mr. Herbert Kay, secretary of the Manufacturers' Federation, about the civilians who need a new suit, he said: "I hope you have got enough clothes to see you through the war."

For the clothing industry is agreed that a suit with a patch or two, a costume with a refined hem, and Service uniforms are the fashionable wear from now until victory.

The cotton industry also is preparing to get on a war basis.

But there will be no wholesale clearing down of Lancashire mills when cotton begins to feel the war "axe"—ordered by the Government to release men for the Forces, men and women for munitions, and to save shipping space—late next month.

QUICK ACTION

If a man can arrange diagrams rather like a jigsaw puzzle into their complete form in a number of seconds, his place may be with the Armoured Section, where much depends on the quick action of a small team.

Stabbing a pencil through holes in a slowly moving belt gives the clue to the steady hand and eye of a man who will be at his best behind a Bren gun.

A high Army authority said: "The plan is to prevent round pegs getting into square holes—and the scheme works."

Modern warfare demands men who can rely on their own resources more than ever before. R.A.M.C. officers say that the standard of intellectual efficiency revealed by the tests is very high.

Convicted of violation of the anti-opium law, Ho Ching-fang of Shihwa and Hsiung Ko-yung and Wan Kuo-chu of Lungshan, who were found to be growing poppy in their respective districts, have been executed by order of the Hunan Provincial Government.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE From 8 to 12 May 1941.

Days of Week	Days of Month	HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Tues.	6	05 47	4 6	10 47	3 9
	13	16 37	5 6	23 58	1 9
Wed.	7	06 26	5 1	—	—
	14	17 58	5 6	12 14	3 3
Thu.	8	07 01	5 6	0 44	1 9
	15	19 13	5 5	13 17	2 5
Fri.	9	07 40	6 2	01 26	2 0
	16	20 17	5 6	14 08	1 6
Sat.	10	08 18	6 7	02 04	2 1
	17	21 18	5 5	14 58	1 1
Sun.	11	08 57	7 2	02 39	2 3
	18	22 14	5 4	15 43	0 6
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	19	23 2	5 1	16 30	0 4

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A crowd on shore watched the fishermen pick up the two airmen and start for land. But suddenly he pulled his bars in, grappled with the two men and threw them overboard. When he reached shore the sheriff questioned him:

"Why in blazes did you throw those men into the fjord?"

"They turned out to be Germans. I first thought they were British."

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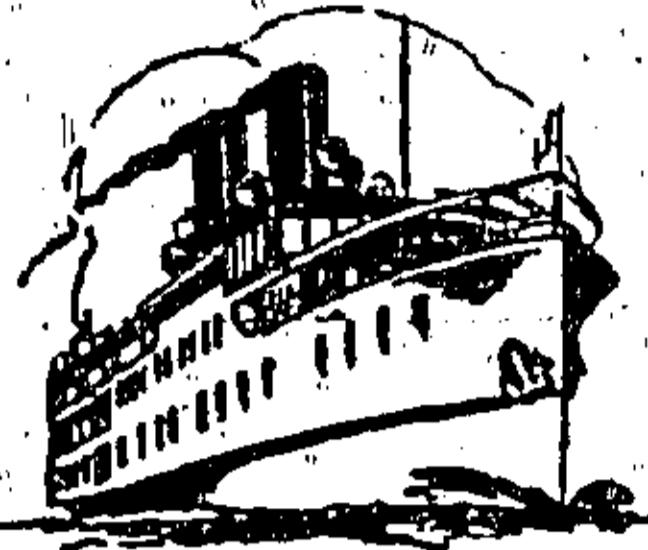
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**SHANGHAI
DEBATE****"MEN MAKE BETTER
SECRETARIES THAN
WOMEN"**

Because the majority of gentlemen in the audience at a recent debate at the Shanghai Foreign YMCA preferred blondes, the blonde and youthful Miss K. de Sheimo, who opposed Mr. John Wilson's proposal "That Men Make Better Secretaries Than Women" garnered 101 votes against 85, despite the fact the proposer put forward a well-thought-out and telling case, writes the Shanghai Evening Post and Mercury.

Mr. Wilson, opening the debate, stated that there are more women secretaries than men because there is always a good market for cheap labour, even if it is inferior. He said that the female secretaries knew how to tickle man's vanity and give him the feeling of being a big shot, a tsarina. They know how to apply soft-sap, Mr. Wilson declared.

OTHER LONGING

The proposer went on to say that most girls regard a business career as something to fill in the time between leaving school and getting married: The deep longing they all have of being wives and mothers sometime in the future does not allow them to give all their thoughts and energies to their work. Mr. Wilson also pointed out that all records for tests in secretarial works are at present held by men.

All the dependable secretarial jobs are held by men, said Mr. Wilson. Women have no knowledge of commercial correspondence and still less of the business with which they are connected. They are parasites upon respectable business, declared the proposer, using these weapons against man which man has never yet been able to defend himself. Women employees, concluded Mr. Wilson, ride roughshod over the other members of the staff and last of all they cannot keep a secret.

SUPPORT, NOT ABILITY

Miss de Sheimo, opening for the opposition, declared that it was cheaper to employ women secretaries because usually they had only to support themselves, whereas a man has a wife and family sometimes parents, to support therefore he must get a larger wage. She said that it was a question of support, not ability. The opposer then devoted herself to laying all the points put forward by Mr. Wilson, though without proving her own statements.

Speakers from the floor came thick and fast, the majority appearing to speak for the proposition. One youthful orator pointed out that lady secretaries so often degenerate into lady friends and so bring much trouble in their train. Referring to Mr. Wilson's remark about women not being able to keep a secret, he reminded the audience that Miss de Sheimo started her speech by saying "Now, ladies and gentlemen, I will disclose a little secret to you."

HOVERS OF LIPSTICK

He continued to speak of the horrors of seeing a woman secretary applying red, sticky paint to her lips whenever the boss stopped for breath, while dictating. Mrs. C. M. Stuart, a succeeding speaker said that in her experience, she found the girl who used this red paint found it easier to get jobs than those who did not.

Other speakers at the debate included Miss E. Ennock, Mr. D. A. Fulehain, Mrs. R. B. Whittington, Mr. W. E. Hines and Mr. J. H. Lewis.

The debate concluded with a summing up in their respective favours, by Miss de Sheimo and Mr. Wilson. The vote was taken, with 85 votes for the proposition and 101 for the opposition.

**FRIENDLY SOCCER
TOMORROW**

A friendly football match will be played between South China A.A. and the Royal Scots at Caroline Hill at 5.30 p.m. tomorrow.

Lee Wai-tong will be supported by the champions and Shield winners of the past season.

Three Eastern players Hsu King-zen, Law Wan-kuen and Chung Yung-sum, who are taking part in South China's Malayan tour, will also be seen wearing the colours of the senior Chinese soccer club.

A small charge of 50 cents and 30 cents will be charged for admission.

The South China team will be sailing for Singapore on May 14.

CHARITY SOCCER MATCH

Cheng Wing-choi bringing off a clearance in Saturday's football match at Caroline Hill played in memory of "Darkie" Chen. Also in the picture are Chan Tak-fai, Ng Kee-cheon, Yim Si-yum, Hsu King-sing and Kui Wing-fook. (Sun Ying Ming).

**Pawnbroker Tells Court
Of "Ingenious Fraud"**

Described as having been allegedly concerned in an "ingenious fraud," Lam Mai, Lam Chong Hoi and Lam Kuan Wing, employees of a pawnshop, appeared before Mr. Conrad Oldham, in the Second Police Court, Singapore, in a preliminary inquiry into allegations of having falsified accounts and the abetment of falsifying accounts.

Outlining the facts of the case, the prosecuting officer said that it was alleged that between June 8, 1940 and Jan. 1, 1941, the three men carried out a very ingenious fraud.

They were said to have used a ring which, through agents, they pawned in their pawnshop for \$10. The pawn ticket and the ring were alleged to have been returned to the three men by the agent, and they marked on the ticket that the article had been redeemed. The men were then alleged to have kept the ring for future use.

PRESENTED RING

"A Hokkien, Chen Eu Teck," he said, "came into the shop and presented a ring at the counter to be pawned. An employee of the shop received the article into pawn for \$10."

"The counter assistant then gave the man \$10 and also a pawn ticket."

"Later in the same day, I returned to the shop and made a check with regard to the ring and I found the pawn ticket which was endorsed 'redeemed,' while the pledged article—the ring—was gone."

Mr. Lam Man Thin, continuing, said that he finally mentioned the incident to his employees and on the next day he kept watch again.

On that day it was raining and he took up a position opposite the shop.

While there, he saw Lam Chong Hoi and Lam Kuan Wing run out of the shop towards the market. Owing to the rain he was unable to see what had happened.

He sent his son to the shop with instructions to check certain books and as his suspicions were aroused, he reported the matter to the police.

**IT HAPPENED IN
BRITAIN...**

Mr. Sidney Alfred Clarke a London Stock Exchange jobber whose home was at Oak Lodge, Ham Common, Surrey, and who, with his wife Dorothy, died at the result of enemy action, left £17,000.

After two small legacies, he left the rest of his estate as to one-half to his first wife for life, and then for all his children; and the other half on trust for his second wife for life, and then for his children.

Every customer at the Britannia Tavern, Bermondsey, who makes a bad throw at darts, slips a half-penny into a wooden box to help provide "knocks for the boys." In doing its bit for the Forces the Britannia has collected more than £100 since the fund started.

A son has been born at Melkite House, Perthshire, to the wife of Mr. Patrick Baird, explorer. He married the widow of his best friend, who was lost on a Canadian Arctic expedition.

Mr. E. H. Lucking, M.V.O., who taught many members of the Royal Family to ride at Windsor Castle, has died at Slough. A Superintendent of the royal mews at Windsor Castle from 1924 to 1931, he had the care of all the horses, including the Windsor greys.

More than 4,000,000 used razor blades have been collected since last summer by Warden G. Martin.

FOREIGN MAIRS

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, 6TH MAY, 1941.

Air Mail Service by British Overseas Airways to places west of Karachi (India) is temporarily suspended.

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